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Beginning with this issue, with this page, we present readers' contributions on the theme "125 Special People." In honor of the university's 125th anniversary, *IUP Magazine* invites short essays about IUP people who have influenced writers' lives.

Publication of the essays will continue in ensuing issues. All will be published, although some may have to be edited for the sake of brevity. Submissions will be accepted until February 1, 2000. Send them to 125th Anniversary-IUP People, *IUP Magazine*, Publications Office, 322 Sutton Hall, 1011 South Drive, Indiana, PA 15705.

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Dr. Kenneth Edgar

To walk away from a place with the ability to understand oneself infinitely greater than when you arrived would be a grand goal for anyone. I achieved that goal largely in part because of a psychology professor at IUP who spent his life understanding his own greatness. Dr. Kenneth Edgar was, himself, a lesson in humility. He quietly walked IUP's pathways, never striving to command attention, and not really a person who would. Until you entered his classroom and listened to what he had to say.

Dr. Edgar was not a man you felt compelled to question, because to be in his pres-

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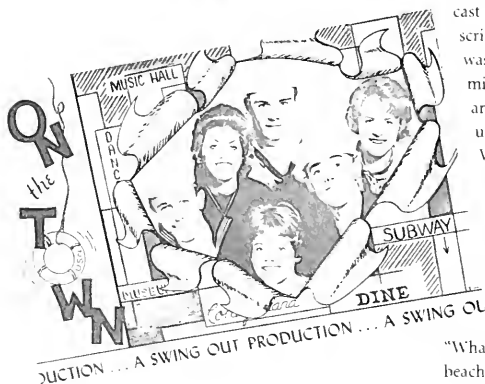
ence was to be around someone who just knew. His empathy for people and ability to help them work through problems was the best I have ever encountered.

This was a man who didn't just know his subject; he lived it. When he wasn't conducting class, he was counseling individual students as needed. He also devoted a great deal of his time to helping at the Indiana County Guidance Center. He authored several books, all of which were splendidly done.

As professor and counselor, he taught me the power of dreams and how to interpret them. He taught me how to overcome many crippling fears that were stopping my own personal growth. His principles have helped me stay the course through many, many years. There is seldom a day that I live that I'm not using what he taught.

In one of our final sessions together, I asked Dr. Edgar why he worked so hard; why all the volunteer hours that left him so little time for himself? He told me this was the way he worked through his own pain...by helping others through theirs. There is great healing in that, he advised. This I try to remember as life knocks me breathless along its highways. And every opportunity I get, I pass on the principles of Dr. Kenneth Edgar. He lives on.

—Rebecca Johnson Evans '72



It's been thirty years since I last worked with them, but not many days go by that I don't think about Mr. D and Chief, D & E. Davis and Ensley. Call them what you will, "they" were Charles Davis and Robert Ensley—the IUP people who most influenced my life.

Separately—Mr. Davis was an instructor in the music department. Mr. Ensley in the English department. Together—they were the long-time directors of the annual spring musical at IUP known as *Swing Out*.

I was a Home Economics major—so I did not encounter these two in my regular classes. As a freshman I tried out for and (wonder of wonders, miracle of miracles) made it into the prestigious group of *Swing Outers*. It was in four years of *Swing Out* productions that I learned the most important lessons of my college education.

Davis and Ensley did not just teach how to sing and dance and act. They inspired students to be their best not only on stage, but in life.

I had been instructed in these lessons many times by other teachers, parents, and relatives. But their importance was driven home by Ensley and Davis in their efforts to stage memorable musical productions.

Be on time. If rehearsal was called for 7 p.m., you had to be ready to start at 7. That meant arriving ten minutes before the call or at EST—Ensley Standard Time. Once, the curtain went up on a show without a major cast member. Ensley sent the stage manager on with a script. He wouldn't delay a show because someone was late. He always reminded us, "If you show up ten minutes late and there are ten people in the cast, you are not ten minutes late. You are one hundred minutes late. You wasted ten minutes for ten people." When you are self-employed, as I am, being on time is one of the best things you can do for your company image.

Don't whine or complain. Do what's asked or leave and "Don't let the door hit you in the behind on your way out." Once I complained that a costume was too revealing. Mr. Ensley looked at me over the top of his glasses and said, "What's the problem? You wear less than that at the beach." End of discussion. We were frequently admon-

ished by D & E: "Cut the diarrhea of the mouth."

Be a team player. Do it for the good of the group. There were no stars in Swing Out. No one was excused from washing flats. What a disgusting job! It was great experience for even more disgusting jobs in real life. I was a volunteer paramedic for seven years, and every time I encountered a really messy situation or cleanup—I thought about scrubbing flats with Ensley and Davis.

Make other people happy. D & E frequently reminded us, "If you smile and look as though you're having fun, the audience will have fun, too." Now that I have my own performance troupe (The Original Class Act) and as we travel the Tri-State area doing shows, Ensley and Davis are always in the house. I never take the stage without thinking of them and being thankful that they shared their knowledge, gave me an opportunity, made college days fun, and taught all of us Swing Outers the joy of song and dance and making other people happy.

—Pat Condelli '68



The Shafer Hall Gang

This is about Cristy Moran Evans '94, Tracy Hilton '95, Kristin Herring Hahn '95, Holly Komoncz '95, and Becky Pupo '94 and how they influenced my life.

Little did I know, five people who lived on the third floor of Shafer Hall with me my freshman and sophomore years would still be influencing my life four years after graduation.

The six of us bonded together quickly, even though three were sophomore transfer students from the Punxsutawney campus, and the other three were freshmen.

They helped transform me from a naïve, studious high school student into a young woman ready to conquer the world when I left the rainy weather of IUP in May, 1995. While at IUP, when I needed a shoulder to cry on, a critic for a paper I was writing, a mother-like figure to care for me when I got mono, or an advisor to help mend a broken heart, they were there. And, still when I stumble and end up with bumps and bruises from life, they are there.

From them I learned knee high boots were not a fashion statement I wanted to make, despite the fact I was from the south and thought a snowflake meant classes would be canceled. And these young women taught me

that 9 p.m. is too early to go to bed, and I'm too gullible for my own good.

But more important, they taught me how to cook, share, laugh, care, be flexible, and listen. I learned all work and no play makes Tracy boring and not well-rounded.

Even as we made other friends on campus and joined a variety of organizations during our time at IUP, we remained a core unit. Because of them, I have become who I am today.

So Cristy, Tracy, Kristin, Holly, and Becky, Thank you.

—Tracy Stellino Polovick '95

Ted Smith '88

I must write about my husband, Ted, who played basketball for IUP in the '60s with George Wise, John Sinclair, George Zilko, Bill Makinen, Gene Schmidt...under the coaching team of Regis A. McKnight and Dr. William W. Betts.

I met him in the Home Economics Cafeteria when we were doing our student teaching under the supervision of Mr. Warren and Miss Walthour.

Ted had a profound effect on my life. I will summarize with an excerpt of a piece I wrote about him called *Flickerings*.

My son, Tom, a Safety Sciences graduate of IUP, began his eulogy for his father in this way:

"I'll be brief, touching on what he meant to his family and friends, his philosophy and lessons he gave. My dad taught us to love and respect others, to be strong in hard times, to lead by example, to be better than we were yesterday and to do our best, then everything would work out. His friends were many and varied, but he always

had deep friendships, making friends easily because he cared about people, helping whenever he could. He dealt honestly with others.

Friends told us we had the greatest dad in the world. He was involved.

"He was not a church-goer later in life—said he put all his time in when he was young, but he was truly a Christian. Everyone remembered the day he attended St.

Bernard's once. It was the day the floors cracked out! My father lived by the rule "Love Thy Neighbor" living simply like Thoreau. Friends said he was a free spirit. He liked to rise early and get to it with great joy—always up and in a great mood. He was a man of honor and integrity with a humorous soul. He made us laugh. He was generous and kind-hearted with a million good stories to tell and even knew some of the words to



The "Shafer Hall Gang,"
left to right: Holly Komoncz, Becky Pupo, Cristy Moran Evans, Tracy Hilton, Kristin Herring Hahn, and Tracy Stellino Polovick

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every song. He was a dreamer, a man of action who made things happen.

"His life was a gift to us from God. People were his life; he would always say, 'Lead, follow, or get the hell out of the way!' He loved to work! His favorite saying was 'It's all part of growing up!' He made a difference. Loved to say, 'This is the first day of the rest of your life!' He walked the talk and lived what he believed. Would always say, 'It's a great day to be alive!' Was always excited about life!"

Tom continued, "I ask, why do bad things happen to good people? Death is part of life. There is a time for everything. Thy will, not my will, be done. God's grace will see us through!"

Ted influenced all of us who believed in his presence.

—Patricia Orendorff Smith '64



Janet L. Salley '73

Choosing a university in 1972 was not a difficult choice for me as my sister, Janet L. Salley '73, was a senior at IUP majoring in education. Having visited her on many occasions throughout my high school years, she had pointed out all the outstanding opportunities IUP offered.

With my first step as a freshman living in Tom Sutton Hall, Janet "showed me the ropes" of scheduling, residence hall living, and getting from Davis Hall to the Union! Immediately, the campus of IUP felt like home! My first semester was not a difficult transition at all. When she left to student teach at the second semester, I then experienced "homesickness." However, my sister continued to support me and help my transition from off campus.

Throughout my twenty years in education, I have had my sister as a wonderful role model in the field of teaching our youth. She now is an elementary principal in Pittsburgh, and I teach fifth grade in Texas. There is no one I respect more in my chosen profession than my sister. Thank you for the opportunity to share, with the IUP family, my thanks and admiration for a fellow graduate and family member, Janet L. Salley!

—Judith Salley Larose '75, M'80

George W. Murdoch, Ph.D.

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THE IUP PERSON WHO MOST INFLUENCED MY LIFE

My very first graduate class at IUP was very challenging and professionally delivered. George Murdoch, my professor and eventually advisor and mentor has been very influential throughout my entire professional career. Now, through this 125th Anniversary celebration, I am able to publicly say, "Thank you."

George Murdoch's knowledge of his subject matter and manner of engaging a Fall, 1972, class in the History of Higher Education was something I decided wanted to emulate in my career. George Murdoch was a very spiritual and practical person. His values spoke loudly through his actions and dedication to his profession. George Murdoch focused our understanding of the history of higher education into how to improve our present interactions in the making of higher education history.

George Murdoch also assisted me in removing all financial obstacles toward achieving my educational goals at IUP and mentored me way beyond that first course. George served on my doctoral dissertation committee and continued to professionally challenge me in that role. He inspired me sufficiently so that I was able to improve my self-esteem and develop my full leadership potential to achieve a Ph.D. in Higher Education and move into administrative positions in several colleges and universities across the nation.

Indeed, I did follow his footsteps, without realizing the impact of the first few steps I took at IUP.

—Kathleen Mary Smith, RSM
Ph.D. (M.A. in Student Personnel Services, 1974)



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THE Time of the Bear

by President Lawrence K. Pettit

Nearly two years before I came to IUP in 1992, the university had confronted the issue of its Indian nickname and mascot. It resolved the controversy with a compromise that by last year had become increasingly difficult to live with.

Essentially, we had a nickname, Indians, for our teams, but we had no mascot, no visual symbol. So, last year, I appointed a task force and directed that it research the symbols, mascot, logo, and coherent message IUP would like to have in place for the twenty-first century and for the 125th anniversary of our university that we are celebrating during this academic year.

Why are such things important to a university like IUP?

Consider the compromise decision of 1990 to which I referred above. Realizing the importance of being sensitive to the concerns of Native Americans, the trustees that year eliminated the use of all logos, on-field mascots, and symbols that depicted Indians. They decided, however, to keep the nickname, regarding it as an

honor, not an insult, to Native American people.

Having no marketable symbols or mascot has been challenging to university advancement efforts, though, and has significantly limited the royalty income we receive from merchandise sales. In today's information-conscious world, where even the most established institutions must communicate to a public besieged with advertising messages from the competition, symbols and logos become key components of marketing strategies to capture the attention of targeted audiences.

What's more, generations of students and alumni associate those symbols with their alma maters, and many prospective students are first attracted, however subliminally, by mascots and logos. Everyone in this section of the country knows what a Nittany Lion or a Panther represents. To us at IUP, they stand for our two major competitors for students.

In 1999, at IUP, the situation demanded sensitivity and creativity. With adoption of a



bear as our mascot and the continuation of Indians as our nickname, we think we have shown both.

In March of this year, the IUP Council of Trustees approved my recommendation for retention of the Indian nickname and adoption of the bear as an athletic mascot. Since that time, we have worked with a leading Manhattan sports branding firm to develop the primary emblem and the associated images.

We selected the bear because it is so embedded in Native American legend and lore, and because the bear rivals the eagle as an object of reverence in Native American culture. The challenge we gave our consultants was to devise an image that resembles a Native American depiction of a bear.

Those who are bothered by a mascot that is a different word or symbol than the official nickname should look at the many successful examples of this kind of dual image: Navy, Army, the University of Utah, the Utah Jazz, the Phoenix Suns, among others.

On these pages you can see



President Lawrence K. Pettit with the Oak Grove piece that commemorates the university's 125th anniversary. Designed by renowned miniaturist Bob Olszewski '68, the memento is available in a limited edition at \$125 plus tax. Information on purchasing it may be obtained by calling the Office of the Executive Assistant to the President at (724) 357-2232 or by sending e-mail to riesen@grove.iup.edu.

our new emblem and some of the lettering we will use in conjunction with it. Look for the physical representation of our bear on the football field this fall, and look for the bear on IUP items for many years to come.

And remember, we'll have a bear on the floor and on the field, but we are still the IUP Indians. Clearly, we are not "Da Bears."

The 125th Anniversary Calendar (724) 357-2232

> As IUP prepares to celebrate its 125th anniversary in 2000, events will be added to this calendar. Visit the anniversary Web page at <http://www.iup.edu/puboff/125anniversary> for up-to-date information.

> University Millennium Holiday Ball, December 10

> From Normal Schools to Universities: Power and Politics in Pennsylvania Public Education, A Historical Perspective, a conference administered through the School of Continuing Education, Hadley Union Building, March 23 and 24

> 125th Anniversary Dinner: Honoring Yesterday, Creating Tomorrow, Unveiling of Presidential Portraits, Blue Room, John Sutton Hall, March 24

> Technology Fair, seminars, vendors, and a variety of technological products for many disciplines, Hadley Union Building, April 18 and 19

> 125th Anniversary University Commencement, Commencement of First Class of Robert E. Cook Honors College, May 13





he lilting sound of Scottish bagpipes drifts among the dorms and oak trees of Indiana University of Pennsylvania as a solitary piper practices his art. Eric Forster, 22,

concentrates on his breathing, trying to keep his air flow constant, while his fingers flick up and down over the holes that control the notes on his Scottish bagpipes.

"It's very tiring to play, especially on hot days," said Forster, a senior Biology major. He prefers to play his bagpipes in front of Mack Hall: "Fewer people can see me, and it doesn't disturb people in class," he said.

Though his instrument attracts attention on campus, Forster, who is from Leechburg, does not set out to draw a crowd. He just enjoys playing the bagpipes, which are too loud for him to practice indoors. A few times, when passing students asked him if the bagpipes were hard to play, he let them try it.

"They're kind of tricky to get the hang of," he said, remembering the far-from-melodic sounds that were emitted the first few times. "I thought mine was broken when I first got it. I asked my teacher, 'Is this leaking?'"

Some students who stop to listen when he is practicing are fellow pipers, though he's met only two or three in his years at IUP. If he wants to practice indoors, Forster reaches for his practice chanter, which he uses to learn fingering movements. The piece has the same holes as the chanter piece on his bagpipes. A mouthpiece with a reed fits on the top. Unlike the bagpipes, the practice chanter produces subtle sounds, much like a



muffled recorder.

Forster read in a book that a person must play the bagpipes for seven years before he can begin learning to play them. He's just reached that point.

When he was fifteen, he saw an ad for bagpipes in a music magazine and asked his mother if he could buy them. She agreed with one condition: he had to take lessons.

Every year, his teacher encouraged him to join a competitive bagpipe band, but Forster wasn't interested. "They're judged really heavily," he said. "I'm afraid it wouldn't be fun." Though his dark kilt and jacket may look like the uniform of a bagpipe band, he only wears the outfit to play at weddings.

His two favorite tunes to play on the bagpipes are *Amazing Grace* and one of many he knows by heart but not by name, figuring out the song just by listening to a tape recording. "I play more by ear than anything," he said.

Forster played his first set of bagpipes for about four years before buying the set he has now, which cost him about \$1,000. To buy a good set of bagpipes, a piper has to spend around \$600 or more, he said. Those with real ivory and silver ornamentation can cost \$5,000 or more.

His own interest in music goes beyond the bagpipes. He played trumpet and baritone in high school and taught himself guitar and bass guitar. He also ordered plans for and built a hurdy-gurdy, an instrument that looks a little like a flat guitar. The musician turns a crank that makes a wheel rub the strings, producing sounds like those made by a bow on a violin. Forster also sometimes plays a sitar, a guitar-like instrument from India, and the concertina, which looks like an accordion without a keyboard.

He traces his enjoyment of music to his mother, Sylvia, who had never played an instrument while in school and strongly encouraged her three children to take lessons. He said he gained his interest in guitar and bass from his father, Bill, who played the two instruments in a band.

In addition to his Scottish, or Great Highland, bagpipes, Forster is building a set of Irish bagpipes, formally known as Uilleann Pipes. The Irish bagpipes, which are more elaborate and more difficult to play, include a bellows that has to be worked with one arm while the piper is breathing into the instrument and fingering the notes.

The least expensive Irish set Forster has seen was \$4,200. The chanter alone cost \$550. The prices inspired Forster to get out his woodworking tools. "I start with a turning square, a chunk of wood one and a half inches

square and fifteen inches long, and turn it on a lathe," he said. Forster has made a couple of chanters, but the reeds are hard to make just right, so he's ordering a well-made plastic chanter from a distributor in England.

After he graduates from IUP in December, he hopes to further his education at the Northwestern University Prosthetic-Orthotic Center, beginning in January. He will seek certification as a prosthetics practitioner. "It's what I've wanted to do since I was in high school," he said. "I like to build instruments and limbs, I guess."

Since admission to the certification program is limited and very competitive, Forster has been trying to increase his odds by volunteering at a prosthetics and orthotics clinic called Hanger, Inc., in Butler. Forster himself wears orthotic inserts in his shoes and said he'd have trouble walking without them. Now, he helps make similar foot supports at the clinic.

Sure of his career direction, he added elective classes to his course load at IUP to help him prepare for his postgraduate studies. Those extra courses included anatomy, his favorite class at IUP, physiology, which he sees as the hardest class he has taken, physics, biomechanics, and a few others.

"I've really enjoyed my time at IUP" he said. "As far as the education goes, I've been very pleased."

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the Books

By Marilyn Kukula



The Kupchella brothers (left to right):
Charles, Lawrence, Eugene, Phil,
James, and Thomas

Courtesy of Lawrence Kupchella

a DOOR TO THE WORLD



Adele and Charles Kupchella

Courtesy of University of North Dakota

Much of the undergraduate career of Charles Kupchella '64 was spent behind the wheel of a '52 Chevy. He put six hundred miles a week on that car.

Kupchella commuted to Indiana from Nanty Glo in Cambria County. By day, he studied biology and general science education. By night, he played and sang in a band called the Tri Five. The band worked somewhere nearly every night and had four engagements nearly every weekend.

By the time Kupchella graduated from Indiana State College, the Tri Five had made a record, and its members were poised to go on tour. Kupchella had to choose: Should he stay with the band or go to graduate school?

In the preceding four years, Kupchella had acquired not only a bachelor's degree but a family. He met his wife, Adele, when the Tri Five played a date in Portage, Pa. The couple married in 1963, and their son Richard was born the following year. Traveling with a band and the life of a musician, Kupchella reasoned, were incompatible with raising a family.

He chose graduate school. Today, Kupchella is president of the University of North Dakota, which has more than ten thousand students in bachelor's, master's, and doctoral programs.

In 1964, when Kupchella made his decision (the band, by the way, eventually broke up), he headed for St. Bonaventure University in western New York with a fellowship made possible by the National Defense Education Act of 1958. The act was a response by Congress to the Soviet Sputnik program. It reflected a nationwide concern with science and mathematics and represented an infusion of federal money into the nation's research and development effort.

With the NDEA fellowship paying his way, Kupchella was able to earn a Ph.D. in physiology and microbiology in just three years and nine months. It was a time he describes as "the golden age of cell biology. I was getting into it at the most exciting time."

With his Ph.D. and a family that now included two children, Kupchella moved on to Bellarmine College in Louisville, Ky., staying until 1973. He did postdoctoral research at the University of Illinois in 1969, the same year his third child was born. From 1973 to 1979, he taught at the University of Louisville and later became professor and chairperson of the Department of Biological Sciences at Kentucky's Murray State University.

From 1985 to 1993, Kupchella was dean of the Ogden College of Science, Technology, and Health at Western Kentucky University. From 1993 until his appointment this past summer at North Dakota, he had been provost of Southeast Missouri State University.

In his research, Kupchella was one of the first to show that cold-blooded animals anticipate dormancy. He studied the chemistry of the extracellular matrix and its relationship to the biology of cancer and has studied the effect of aspirin on the gastrointestinal tract. He has written three textbooks,

one of which is currently in its third edition.

For all his music-related travels within a fifty-mile radius of the mining town in which he grew up, Kupchella when he came to Indiana had never been further from home than Ohio or New Jersey. He had never, for example, seen the ocean. Indiana State College "opened up the world for me," he said. Since that time, his work has taken him to nearly all of the states as well as to China, Thailand, the former Soviet Union, Greece, Great Britain, Ireland, and Mexico.

Biology professor Francis Liegey played a big role in his life, he said: "It was Frank who suggested I go to graduate school, and he had a hand in arranging my fellowship." As an undergraduate, Kupchella worked as a researcher on projects directed by botanist and faculty member Arthur Shields. His advisor, Cyril Zenisek, helped make sure he could finish his undergraduate degree in four years. (Kupchella's schedule was further complicated by yet another part-time job two afternoons and Saturday mornings as a draftsman in Portage.)

Kupchella remembers how the late English professor Maurice Rider "helped me discover the power of language and writing." College, he said, "opened up ideas and possibilities I would have had no way of seeing."

Charles Kupchella is by no means the only member of his family affected by the IUP experience. He has five younger brothers, four of whom (James '74, Philip '74, Lawrence '79, and Eugene '83) graduated from IUP. Four of the six Kupchella brothers have Ph.D. degrees; Lawrence is a faculty member in the IUP chemistry department; and Eugene has served as an adjunct faculty member. (The fourth Ph.D., Tom, who did his undergraduate work at what was then California State College, served for many years as principal of Blacklick Valley High School, which all four brothers attended.) All told, at least twenty members of the Kupchellas' extended family have studied or are studying at IUP.

The Kupchella brothers represent the first generation in their family to go to college. In fact, their parents didn't even get to finish high school, although their mother eventually obtained a GED. But their parents instilled in them a love of learning and an expectation of success.

"It was a given that we would go to college," Charles Kupchella said. "We would get a degree to keep from working in the mines." He remembers that his mother was "dedicated to reading to us as kids, letting us hear the words even before we knew what they meant."

His mother still lives in Nanty Glo, and his five brothers and their families all live within twenty-five miles of the town. For thirty-five years, Charles Kupchella and his own family have made the trip to Western Pennsylvania three or four times a year. "There's a big reunion," he said, "every time we go home." 🐼

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IUP Family Tree

Charles Kupchella's IUP family

tree has literally dozens of branches. In the Winter-Spring issue of IUP Magazine, alumni will have a chance to chart their own IUP Family Trees in celebration of the university's 125th anniversary. The charts they create will be collected and displayed in the Alumni Office at Brezozdale. What's more, all will be invited to an IUP Family Reunion in the Oak Grove on June 10, 2000. Put the date on your calendar, make notes about your own IUP family for your IUP Family Tree, and watch for the next issue of IUP Magazine.



IUP's Very Own Blue Angel

Andy Hall '91 started flying when he was fifteen.

Not long after he got his driver's license, he got his pilot's license. Today, he is a Marine Corps pilot flying a C-130 with the world-renowned Blue Angels.

Hall lives in Pensacola, Fla., and travels about three hundred days a year with the 120-member team that constitutes the U.S. Navy Flight Demonstration Squadron. According to the Blue Angels' 1999 yearbook, "All team members are hand-selected to serve with the Blue Angels after learning their skills in the fleet and demonstrating their support for the Navy-Marine Corps' core values of

honor, courage, and commitment."

The unit's C-130 transport opens a Blue Angels show in dramatic fashion. The seven-minute segment includes a jet-assisted takeoff (JATO): eight solid-fuel rockets—four on each side—thrust the C-130 skyward to demonstrate its short-field takeoff capability. Burning fourteen seconds and fired simultaneously, the JATO bottles get the plane airborne in minimal time, simulating hostile conditions or takeoffs

on short, unprepared runways. The overall effect, in Hall's words, "is a real crowd pleaser."

Hall came to IUP from New Cumberland, Pa., and graduated with a bachelor's degree in regional planning. The tests he took for flight school at Pensacola's Naval Air Station were, he said, "very competitive." His IUP background helped him, as did the aviation safety course he took at the university. Hall also played soccer through all four years of his undergraduate career.

As a C-130 pilot with the Blue Angels, Andy Hall meets his share of celebrities. Among those he has welcomed to the cockpit is ABC News personality Diane Sawyer.

Hall has traveled to at least twenty countries with the military and has been part of exercises and deployments in the Far East, Latin America, and Europe, including Bosnia and Croatia. Currently on a three-year tour through 2001 with the Blue Angels, he expects to continue flying in the civilian world after his military service ends. Meanwhile, look for him wherever the Blue Angels fly.

Web Watch

Cybersports

Starting with the September 4 football season opener, IUP games have been broadcast live on the Internet via an agreement between Nauticom Sports Network, WCCS in Homer City, and IUP. The broadcasts begin with the pregame show forty-five minutes before kickoff and continue through the postgame wrap-up. Those who tune in to the cybercast hear the same broadcast local Indiana area listeners hear on WCCS, which includes play-by-play by Goose Goslin '73 and other WCCS personalities.

A link to the games will be available on the IUP homepage at <http://www.iup.edu>. Listeners must have a copy of Microsoft Media Player to tune in; Media Player may be downloaded at the Nauticom site. All games cybercast by Nauticom will remain in the company's archives for a full year and may be accessed anytime.

Study Away from Campus

Recruitment efforts for off-campus programs are under way for January, according to Pat Scott, director of Off-Campus Studies. Recruiting is concentrated on new cohorts for the Executive MBA,

offered in both Johnstown and Monroeville. This is a two-year, Saturday-only program.

"The Executive MBA will give participants the competitive edge needed to meet the challenges of today's global market," said Scott. "Several years of relevant work experience, coupled with a high-quality Executive MBA, can help one climb up the corporate ladder," she said.

In Johnstown, the program is offered at the Central Park Complex, located at Franklin and Locust streets, while in Monroeville, the program is offered at the IUP Monroeville and Graduate and Professional Center, 470 Mall Circle Drive.

In addition, recruitment efforts are under way for the M.A. in Community Counseling that will be offered at the IUP Monroeville Center for the first time in January. This program prepares students to work in a variety of settings, including mental health centers, drug and alcohol treatment programs, specialized community agencies, rehabilitation programs, correctional institutions, health care settings, and business and industry.

According to Scott, the M.A. in Community Counseling meets the degree criteria as currently stated in the Pennsylvania counselor licensure law. This program can be completed in two and a half years. During the academic year, two courses will be offered each semester, one on Tuesday evening and one on Thursday evening. Two courses will be offered each summer; however, one course will be offered during the month of August.

Additional programs offered at the Monroeville Center include M.A. in Adult and Community Education, M.A. in Criminology, M.A. in Industrial and Labor Relations, and Masters in Education.

For additional information on programs offered off campus, call 800-845-0131. E-mail requests for information may be sent to ce-ecp@prove.iup.edu. To learn more about off-site opportunities, readers are invited to visit the Continuing Education website: www.iup.edu/contin/.



Virtual Chemistry Community

Chemistry scholars and teachers alike may be interested in Physical Chemistry Online, developed by IUP chemistry faculty member George Long and funded in part by the National Science Foundation and the Dreyfus Foundation.

Featuring a chat room, the site provides online resources, promotes interaction and collaboration between students and teachers of physical chemistry, and acts as a lab for online study. Having received an award from the National Science Teachers Association, Physical Chemistry Online is located at <http://pcol.ch.iup.edu/>.

Awards

Fulbright Award

To Michael Kesner, a Department of Biology faculty member, to study the evolutionary ecology of mice in Zimbabwe

Apex Grand Award

Sponsored by Communications Concepts. To IUP Magazine, one of fifty-eight such winners out of a field of 4,900 entries

Apex Award

Sponsored by Communications Concepts. To James Rugg '99, a student designer in the IUP Publications Office, in recognition of his design of a promotional publication for IUP's Executive M.B.A. program

Letters



An Angel without a Last Name

On April 24 my backpacking partner, Bob Clark, and I were hiking northbound through Shenandoah National Park. At or about 11:40 a.m., I suffered a heart attack while climbing the mountain at Brown's Gap. My partner covered me and put me down on the trail while he hiked ahead to get help from travelers on the Skyline Drive. We had seen only three or four persons hiking in the opposite direction since we began our trek from Rockfish Gap three and a half days earlier.

Thanks to the Good Lord, on this day an angel was on the trail just five minutes north of my crisis location. When Bob encountered this lady hiker coming down the trail, he explained my plight and inquired if she had any aspirin. After searching her backpack, she quickly produced two aspirins. Bob ran back and gave them to me to swallow. He and the young angel (who only identified herself as "Mel") hiked on to the Skyline Drive,

where they flagged down several autos to seek cell phone assistance. A prompt call to 911 brought timely help from Park Rangers, and a medivac helicopter from the University of Virginia Medical Center.

While I awaited the medivac, my vital signs were not good, but by the time I reached the UVA Medical Center, my condition had stabilized, and the ER staff declared that the two aspirins provided by Mel undoubtedly contributed

much to saving my life. When I was airlifted out of the mountains, Bob departed for the hospital by truck. Mel remained to help the Park Rangers direct traffic.

At the departure point, Bob asked Mel to collect and secure our backpacking gear. Knowing that I would surely want to thank Mel after the crisis was resolved, Bob also asked her to leave her name and address on a notepad with the Rangers at the site.

After I was safely under treatment at the hospital, Bob returned to the trail site late in the afternoon to recover our hiking gear. When he arrived, all our gear was neatly secured, Mel was gone, and the Rangers gave Bob the note he had requested earlier from Mel. The front of the folded note was addressed to "Bob

and John." On the inside, the paper said only, "Sometimes people's paths cross for different reasons." The signature was "Mel." The note included no address and no last name. So all we know is what Mel shared in conversation with Bob during the emergency there in Brown's

Gap: Mel is a recent graduate of Indiana University of Pennsylvania. Other than that, we observed only that she is a bonafide angel who enjoys hiking in the mountains and helping people.

Obviously, Mel has no desire to be fully identified, and I respect her preference for privacy. I am excited, nonetheless, to know that

Kathryn Meiser Barclay '34, left, in front of the quilt she brought to her fiftieth reunion. With her in this 1984 photo is the late Flossie Wagner Sanford '17, who was a faculty member when Barclay was a student. The quilt, now displayed in one of the second floor meeting rooms at Breezedale, is described in a letter on the next page.



through the good offices of your Indiana University of Pennsylvania alumni magazine, I can indirectly communicate my most sincere words of thanks and praise to the young lady whose path crossed mine for some "different" reason. Through this "Letter to the Editor," I want to say to you, Mel: Thank you for helping a stranger in need, and may the Good Lord bless you with success, happiness, and fulfillment during all the days of your life ahead.

*John Roos
Cincinnati*

A Quilt of Memories

I have enjoyed receiving *IUP Magazine* but wish I could see more about the '30s alumni. It's probably because you don't hear from us.

When back for our class's fiftieth reunion, I brought the quilt my mother, father, and sister had made me for a graduation gift that had the embroidered autographs of all my sisters in Alpha Sigma Alpha and all the members of Kappa Delta Pi (the honor society on campus) of which I was president my senior year.

An Alumni staff member asked me if I would donate the quilt to the college for the new alumni building they hoped to have. I consented, and when I returned for my sixtieth reunion, I presented a notebook to the Alumni office containing the story of how my family gathered the signatures and put it together. It was a two-year undertaking with my Dad making many trips to Indiana to get the "flower squares" which my mother and sister embroidered and put together. No one was to let me know about it, and, thus, it was a "complete surprise" when my roommate, Ruth Edwards, then president of our Alpha Sigma Alpha sorority, presented it to me at our last meeting before graduation.

Alpha Sigma Alpha and Kappa Delta Pi members of that "era" ('30s) can find their names on the quilt that is in the Alumni building for display.

*Kathryn Mercer Barclay '34
Boston, Mass.*

A College Sneak Peek

In the inaugural year of an innovative program, the Department of Special Education last summer sponsored a week-long exploration of college life for high school juniors with mild disabilities. The students sampled academic and recreational activities typical of college campuses. Serious sessions on study skills and computer technology alternated with scavenger hunts, movies, and swimming.

The high school students met with representatives of the



Indiana High School students Jill Shively, left, and Heath Fairman benefited from college experiences shared by Meagan Bickell '99, center, and Ellen Gallagher Cignetti '99 in a gathering at the Student Cooperative Association's Ski Lodge. Shively and Fairman formed the local contingent of a group of high school students from across the commonwealth who came to campus for a new program last summer.

university's Disability Support Services and heard about the variety of assistance (visual aides, recorded textbooks, etc.) available to make learning easier. They also heard advice from successful IUP students and recent alumni, all of whom share disabilities similar to theirs.

Meagan Bickell '99 told the students she had picked her major (Special Education) before her learning disability was diagnosed. It had never been "caught," she said, because she could compensate for it in high school, but with the press of college work, she could no longer do this. "If I hadn't been diagnosed," she said, "I would have failed out."

The students asked Bickell how she had been treated by others in college. She said that classmates had sometimes been curious about the notetaker who joined her in class. In general, she said, "You just kind of have to be proud of yourself."

Faculty members Kent Jackson and Dianne Ferrell were directors of the summer program.



IUP Classnotes



Beating the odds: "What are the odds?" asks Josie DiIunzio Brunner '88, M'89 (left), whose daughter, Rosalie Virginia, was born on the same day as Bethany Lynn, daughter of Nina Lonchar Ingram '88 (right). The amazing part is that Josie and Nina were roommates and sorority sisters at IUP. Josie and her husband, Jeff Brunner '88, live in Wernersville, Pa. Nina and her husband, Tim, live in the Baltimore area. Both couples have preschool-age sons, born a year apart.

20s

Marguerite Newson writes that her mother, **Margaret Sunderland Strickler '21**, turned ninety-seven in February and until this year lived independently. She now lives in a nursing home in Chatham, N.J., and although she is legally blind and suffers from severe hearing loss, her general health is good and her mind is active. She receives

word from **Sara Rhea Onstott '21**, who lives in Carmel, Calif., every Christmas. Margaret sends greetings to all fellow members of the Pioneer Society.

30s

At the National Convention of the Alpha Sigma Alpha Sorority in 1990, **Kathryn Meiser Barclay '34** of Boston was awarded the Wilma Wilson Sharp Award, the highest award given by the sorority. Also, more recently, she was awarded the National Church Women United's Valiant Woman Award by the CWU of Boston. See the letters section for more information from Kay.

In a letter to President Lawrence K. Pettit, **Elizabeth Donghia Crivella '35**, who described her fond memories of her days at ISTC, provided the following news about friends. **Pearl Zorena Mudre '35** lives in Virginia; **Mary Pasternak '35** lives in Beaver, Pa.; **Suzanna Mountsier Thorn '35** and **Edward Marian '35** live in Pittsburgh; and **Elizabeth Copeland Espy '35** lives in Florida. She says she hopes she will soon come back to campus from her home in Chevy Chase, Md., for a reunion.

Retired Connellsville business teacher **Madelyn Sonafelt Wandel '35** writes that she and her twin sister, **Evelyn Sonafelt Chambers '35**, remain active and interested in education. Madelyn and Evelyn lived on the third floor of John Sutton and Clark halls their senior year. Madelyn, whose daughter, Mildred Wandel Burns, graduated in business education from IUP in 1973, lives in Connellsville, while Evelyn resides in Rockledge, Fla.

50s

After living abroad for more than thirty-seven years while teaching in the Department of Defense Dependent Schools, **Kathleen Pebley '55** retired in 1997 and now lives in Sun City West, Ariz. During her teaching years, she earned a master's degree in guidance and counseling. She says she remembers her years at ISTC, when there were only about two thousand students, as among the most entertaining in her life.

Married a year ago last summer, **Richard Learn '56, M'63** and his wife, Sharon, live in West Chester, Pa. Having retired as a business administrator for public schools, Richard has started a new career as sales vice president with Ambac-Cadre Financial Services.

Farmville, Va., resident **William Schall '59, M'63** was elected to the board of the state chapter of the Partners of the Americas, an organization that promotes friendship and economic and social development.

60s

Loretta Love DiFrancesco '60 was on a twenty-five-year hiatus from teaching while she worked as a real estate broker in Cocoa Beach, Fla. While she is still a realtor, she has returned to the classroom to teach Spanish at Our Saviour's School and, "happy to be back in the classroom," she sent a photo of her with her students. It may be viewed on the World Wide Web in *IUP Magazine* Web Extra, located at <http://www.iup.edu/puboff/iupmag>.

After thirty-four years of teaching in the Baltimore County schools, **Ted Medvetz '61, M'64** has retired and lives in Sykesville, Md., with his wife, Rita.

Sam Scavo '61 of Steilcoom, Wash., submitted a photo taken at a reunion among friends held in Sarasota, Fla. The photo may be seen on the World Wide Web in *IUP Magazine* Web Extra, located at <http://www.iup.edu/puboff/iupmag>.

After completing a twenty-year career with Old Salem, a living history museum in North Carolina, **Carol Neff Hall '62** has moved to Berlin, Germany, and now is associated with World Harvest Mission.

Annapolis resident **Rose Marie Bobby '63** retired last year after thirty-two years of government service. She held the position of associate chief of the Administration and Resources Management Office for the Earth Sciences Directorate at the NASA/Goddard Space Flight Center.

An ordained minister, **Erma Berenbrok Stiffler '64** of Blairsville earned her Master of Theology degree from Christian Bible College in Rocky Mount, N.C.

Having taught French, Speech Communications, and English at Chartiers Valley High School in suburban Pittsburgh for more than thirty three years, **Larry Wineand '66** has retired and moved to the West Shore area of Harrisburg with his wife, Nancy. Larry directed more than sixty plays or musicals during his teaching

Mrs. Congeniality: **Molly Ray Callaghan '94** was first runner up in the Mrs. Pennsylvania competition, held last spring. A full-time mother and aerobics instructor, she also was named Mrs. Congeniality. She is married to Brian Callaghan '94 and lives in Drexel Hill, Pa.

career, was the director of the International Thespian Society for six years, and served as the school's foreign language department chairman.

Barbara Divins '68 received Franklin College's Clifford and Paula Dietz Award for Faculty excellence. She serves as associate professor and chair of the education department at the Indiana college.

Having taught biology in Pennsylvania schools for the last thirty years, **Holly Delk Priestley '68** retired and moved to Hilo, Hawaii, to teach at the university level, enabling her to join her husband, Joseph, who has been on the University of Hawaii faculty for the last year.

Timothy Rupert '68 of Pittsburgh has been named president and chief executive officer of RTI International. He sits on the boards of Columbia Insurance, Ltd., and the International Titanium Association.

70s

Executive director of Indiana County Head Start, **Reed Booth '70, M'71** recently shared a photo of all her agency's staff members who are IUP alumnae. There are total of twelve. The photo may be viewed in the magazine's Web Extra edition, located at <http://www.iup.edu/puboff/iupmag>.

The Pittsburgh Business Times recently carried an article about the hard-driving style of **Helen Demetris Lemmon '70**, the new managing director of Arthur Andersen's Pittsburgh office.

Jo Ann Siska Martinec '70 was chosen as 1999 New York State Ag in the Classroom Teacher of the Year through Cornell University. Jo Ann is a first grade teacher in Corning, N.Y., where she lives with her husband, George, and six children.

Carleton, Mich., resident **Don Giesmann '71** is community impact director of the Michigan Family Forum, a Christian public policy organization.

In a promotion, **Paula Mulineaux '72** of Chelsea, Ala., was named strategic services managing director for CSC Healthcare Group.

Mentors



Mentors is a new feature that highlights and reports on IUP faculty members, past and present. News of alumni who are also faculty members will continue to appear in Class Notes.

This year's Associated Artists of Pittsburgh Exhibition, a juried and highly competitive display, featured the work of three Art Department faculty members: sculpture by Jim Nestor, paintings by Vaughn Clay, and furniture by Chris Weiland '72. This year's show occurred at the Carnegie Museum in the summer.

Before her father's death, Willard Kaylor's daughter, Gloria Kaylor Catevenis '82, wrote to explain the circumstances under which he fell ill. While getting into his car, Willard bumped his head, causing bleeding and, ultimately, necessitating neurosurgery. He died almost two months later. Gloria wrote that her father had served as a substitute in the Pasco County, Fla., schools and had taught almost every day since his retirement from IUP's Health and Physical Education Department in 1983. Several times during his tenure in the high school, he was named Teacher of the Year.



Tim Morgan '73, M'77 of Bigler, Pa., writes that he and his wife, Sally Harter Morgan, recently welcomed twin sons to their family, which includes twenty-year-old son Kyle.

The registrar of the Frick Collection in New York, **William Stout '73** received a scholarship to attend the Attingham Summer Program for the Study of Country Houses and Collections in Britain. He

toured thirty-five estates in twenty days in Sussex, Nottinghamshire, and Yorkshire.

Promoted, **Donn DeBoard '75** is information design and delivery project leader for Vertex, Inc. He lives in Frazer, Pa.

A senior field safety representative, **David Dyott '75** of Indiana has been with Penn National Insurance for twenty years.

Having worked in the social service field for more than twenty years, **Patricia Recupero Miller '75** was promoted to Medicaid manager for Southern Nevada.

Melinda and **Eric Engelbrektsson '76** write they are enjoying life in Washington, D.C., with their daughters, Paige, Sarah, and Brooke. Eric is a colonel in the Army's finance corps.

On a postcard picturing a Murmansk cathedral, **Steve Kauffman '76** of Holtwood, Pa., writes that he recently completed a study with the European Economic Committee concerning salmon passing through turbines on Russia's Tuloma River. A fisheries biologist for Normandeau/RMC, Steve said he found the Russian

people to be warm, helpful, and curious about American ways.

Assigned to the Defense Logistics Agency, **David Mintus '76** has been promoted to colonel in the Army. During his twenty-two-year career, he has received the Bronze Star Medal and the Meritorious Service Medal and has earned two master's degrees.

Patricia Strefeler Tellers '76 is a nurse for Hospice of Dayton, Ohio.

Past president of the Pennsylvania Society of Association Executives, **Patricia Sloan Epple '77** is now executive director of the Pennsylvania Landscape and Nursery Association in Harrisburg. She previously had served in the same capacity for an area realty association.

Now living in Flemington, N.J., **William McKool '77, M'79** has been named vice president and regional manager for Schiff and Associates, a subsidiary of a security consulting firm. William and

Too many to count:
When Stephan ("Sal")
Haberberger '89 and Jennifer
Casino Haberberger '90 were
married, more than thirty fellow
alumni attended the festivities.
The bride and groom, pictured
front and center, live in Penn
Township, Pa. Photos of this
nature now can be found in
IUP Magazine's edition of *Web*
Extra, available at
<http://www.iup.edu/pubof/iupmag>.

Sharon's family now includes a second child, Kristen Elizabeth.

A resident of Austin, Tex., for the last eleven years, **Leo Patera '77** is controller of Holt, Rinehart, and Winston, a division of Harcourt Company.

George Pry M'77 has been named president of the Art Institute of Pittsburgh.

After working for Battelle in Oak Ridge, Tenn., **Joe Zimmerman '77** started EET Corporation, a health and safety company. Joe and his wife, Missy, live in Knoxville.

A Spanish instructor at York College and the English as a Second Language instructor for an intermediate unit, **Margaret Huff Benedict '78, M'81** completed her graduate certificate in teaching culturally and linguistically diverse students and families at Penn State. She lives in Hallam, Pa.

Returning to her home in Tyrone, Pa., **Mary Lykens '78** is the new youth services coordinator for the Altoona Area Public Library.

Renee Fontanesi Frye '79, M'83 and her husband, Ron, have a son, Brandt.

Connie Kaness '79 is an interior designer for Ethan Allen Home Interiors in Atlanta.

Kathleen Clark Mercer '79, who lives in Columbia, S.C., earned her Ed.D. degree in curriculum and instruction from the University of Georgia last year.

A piece by **Jill Moodie-Pellegrino '79**, owner of Second Wind Pottery in Red Lion, Pa., was selected for the Seventh Annual Strictly Functional Pottery National Show. Jill, who teaches pottery classes and whose work is featured in



Clark HALL

A new Clark for a new century: Soon after the new millennium and the new semester begin, the new Clark Hall will welcome its inhabitants. With total renovation of the existing structure and an addition on the north side, the building is planned as a one-stop student services center. The Registrar's Office will be on the third floor, Financial Aid



John Bender

on the second, and Student Accounts Receivable and Student Payroll on the first.

galleries across the state, will participate in Indiana's New Growth Arts Festival.

Married to Robert Nace in April, **Nadine Waybright Nace '79** asked **Colleen McClain Marshall '79** and **Kenn Marshall '80** and their children, Megan and Matthew, to participate in their wedding. Nadine and Robert live in East Berlin, Pa.

Butler, Pa., resident **Rick Zielinski '79** has moved from Marmon Keystone Corporation's purchasing area to its telemarketing group.

80s

An instructor at Blue Ridge Community College **John Bell '80** recently was the featured artist at the Shenandoah Valley Art Center.

Cincinnati resident **Sherry Knapp '80** is the executive director of the Hamilton County Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services Board.

Cydney Shields '80, ironically the 1979 second runner up for Homecoming queen ("the year a guy won," she wrote), is iVillage.com's community host for the African American Women at Work bulletin board. A motivational speaker and author of the book *Work, Sister, Work: How Black Women Can Get Ahead in the Workplace*, she lives in Rockville, Md., and is writing a second book, *From the Inside Out: A Sister's Guide to Finding Her Occupation*.

A purchasing agent for Wyeth-Ayerst Labs and an Army reservist with a civil affairs brigade, **Craig Smith '80** was promoted to lieutenant colonel and was awarded the Joint Service Achievement Medal and the National Defense Service Medal for his participation in Operation Desert Storm. Having served as a senior logistics officer for the last eight years, he lives in Leola, Pa., with his wife, Sandra, and three children.

Juniata Valley teacher **Sally Best '81** of Stormstown received her master's degree in elementary school counseling from Penn State last year. Mother of Chris and Philip, Sally, who shared the stage for the first time with one of her sons, recently portrayed Marian the librarian in a community theater production of *The Music Man*.

While working as a stay-at-home mom, **Mary Benson Solberg '81** writes a weekly column on parenting for the

Eric Daily Times. Mary and her husband, Roger, an Edinboro University professor who will soon complete his doctoral degree at IUP, have three sons, David, Peter, and Jon.

Overseeing the San Jose, Calif., office, **Kenneth Crown '82, '83** is vice president and regional manager of the Greenspan Company and Adjusters International.

A member of Alcoa's corporate security department for the last twenty years, **Jeffrey Schoepf M'82** is now coordinator of the Emergency Response Team at Alcoa's Corporate Center in Pittsburgh.

Scott Snyder '82 was promoted to partner in the transaction services practice of PricewaterhouseCoopers' Pittsburgh office.

A consultant for the international management consulting firm of Hewitt Associates, **Anita Loniero Doncaster '83** lives in Charlotte, N.C., with her husband, Jim. **Janet Pastorius Nicoludis '83** was an attendant at their wedding.

In a new position, **Mike Joyce '83** is chief auditor and compliance officer for Blue Cross Blue Shield Association. He and his wife, Mary, and their children, John and Meme, live in the Chicago area.

Linda Beck Widel '83 of Pittsburgh lives that she, **Bette Garmon '83**, and **Barb Libengood '83** meet monthly for lunch.

University of Iowa professor **Rose Mary Zbiek '83** received the Thomas Urban Award from First in the Nation in Education in recognition of outstanding educational research.

Assistant operations manager for Vitamin Discount Connection in Indiana, **Bruce Dries '84** consulted on the launch of the online health portal Alt-iHealth.com. He can be reached at bvdries26@microserve.net.

Kimberly Hobson Granatire '84, M'85 completed training and is now primary teacher leader of Philip Murray Elementary School in Pittsburgh.

Bishop Carroll High School science teacher **Michele Kirk '84** was named Wal-Mart Teacher of the Year, which provided her with a grant. She lives in Patton, Pa.

Please also refer to the 125th Anniversary Calendar in this issue.

IUP 5K Run

June 10, 2000, includes various events to benefit the Indiana County Alumni Chapter Scholarship Fund, (724) 357-3072 or e-mail judge@grove.iup.edu

Alumni Activities

(724) 357-7942 or (800) 937-2487
<http://www.iup.edu/alumni>
Distinguished Alumni Awards Dinner, Blue Room, John Sutton Hall, March 25

Artist Series

(724) 357-2315
All performances begin at 8:00 p.m. in Fisher Auditorium.
Kenny Rogers, October 24
Annie, November 21
The Beach Boys, December 2
Glenn Miller Orchestra, January 26
Tap Dogs, February 11

Lively Arts

(724) 357-2547
<http://www.iup.edu/fal/events.htmlx>
Patricia Prattis Jennings, classical piano, Gorell Recital Hall, November 5, 8:00 p.m.

Cross Currents/Brass and Friends (IUP faculty musicians), Gorell Recital Hall, November 11, 8:00 p.m.

The Crucible, Theater-by-the-Grove, Waller Hall, November 11 through 13, 8:00 p.m.

Bands in Review, Fisher Auditorium, November 14, 2:00 and 8:00 p.m.

Amahl and the Night Visitors, Music Theater, Waller Hall, December 2 through 4, 8:00 p.m.; December 4 and 5, 2:00 p.m.

Chatham Baroque, classical quartet, Gorell Recital Hall, February 8, 8:00 p.m.

Cross Currents/All Brahms (IUP faculty musicians), Gorell Recital Hall, February 17, 8:00 p.m.

West Side Story, IUP Music Theater and Theater-by-the-Grove, Fisher Auditorium, February 24 through 26, 8:00 p.m.

Afro-Cuban All Stars, Latin traditions and modern jazz, Hadley Union Building, March 14, 8:00 p.m.

Cross Currents/Baroque and Dance (IUP faculty musicians), Gorell Recital Hall, March 16, 8:00 p.m.

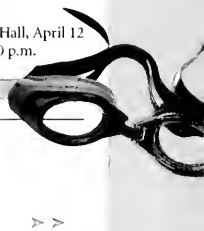
Spring Dance Performance, Zink Hall Dance Theater, March 24 and 25, 8:00 p.m.; March 26, 8:00 p.m.

The Rimers of Eldritch, Theater-by-the-Grove, Waller Hall, April 12 through 15 and 18 through 20, 8:00 p.m.; April 16, 2:00 p.m.

SPORTS SCHEDULES

Swimming (724) 357-2747

<http://www.iup.edu/athlet/>
at Westminster, October 29, 5:00 p.m.
at Kutztown, November 6, 2:00 p.m.
at College of New Jersey, November 12-13, TBA
at Fairmont State, November 20, 1:00 p.m.
at Notre Dame Invitational, December 2 through 4, TBA



Salem Teikvo, December 11, 1:00 p.m.
 Wheeling Jesuit, January 14, 6:00 p.m.
 Slippery Rock, January 18, 5:00 p.m.
 at Shippensburg, January 21, 5:00 p.m.
 West Virginia Wesleyan, January 22, 1:00 p.m.
 at Bloomsburg, January 29, 2:00 p.m.
 Edinboro, February 4, 5:00 p.m.
 PSAC Swimming Meet, February 17-19

Women's Basketball

Virginia State Tournament, November 19 through 20, TBA
 Mount Aloysius, November 23, 6:00 p.m.
 Best Western Classic, November 26 through 27 at St. Michael's, December 3, 1:00 p.m.
 at Concordia or East Stroudsburg, December 4
 Alderson-Broadbent, December 8, 6:00 p.m.
 at Ashland, December 11, 3:00 p.m.
 at St. Vincent, December 30, 7:00 p.m.
 Daemen, January 5, 7:30 p.m.
 Millersville, January 8, 6:00 p.m.
 at Shippensburg, January 12, 6:00 p.m.
 at Pitt-Johnstown, January 15, 6:00 p.m.
 at Slippery Rock, January 19, 6:00 p.m.
 Clarion, January 22, 6:00 p.m.
 Edinboro, January 26, 6:00 p.m.
 at California, January 29, 6:00 p.m.
 Lock Haven, February 2, 6:00 p.m.
 District of Columbia, February 5, 2:00 p.m.
 Shippensburg, February 9, 6:00 p.m.
 Slippery Rock, February 12, 6:00 p.m.
 at Edinboro, February 16, 6:00 p.m.
 at Clarion, February 19, 6:00 p.m.
 at Lock Haven, February 23, 6:00 p.m.
 California, February 26, 6:00 p.m.

Men's Basketball

at Winston-Salem State, November 19 6:00 p.m.
 Penn State-Altoona, November 23, 8:00 p.m.
 at Columbia Union, November 27, 9:00 p.m.
 at East Stroudsburg, November 29, 7:00 p.m.
 at Millersville, December 1, 7:30 p.m.
 Kutztown, December 8, 8:00 p.m.
 Westminster, December 11, 8:00 p.m.
 Belmont Abbey, January 3, TBA
 West Chester or Pitt-Johnstown, January 4, TBA
 Millersville, January 8, 8:00 p.m.
 at Shippensburg, January 12, 8:00 p.m.
 at Staten Island, January 15, 7:30 p.m.
 at Slippery Rock, January 19, 8:00 p.m.
 Clarion, January 22, 8:00 p.m.
 Edinboro, January 26, 8:00 p.m.
 at California, January 29, 8:00 p.m.
 Lock Haven, February 2, 8:00 p.m.
 at Pitt-Johnstown, February 7, 7:30 p.m.
 Shippensburg, February 9, 8:00 p.m.
 Slippery Rock, February 12, 8:00 p.m.
 at Edinboro, February 16, 8:00 p.m.
 at Clarion, February 19, 8:00 p.m.
 Columbia Union, February 21, 8:00 p.m.
 at Lock Haven, February 23, 8:00 p.m.
 California, February 26, 8:00 p.m.

Classnotes

A captain in the Army National Guard, **Troy Moore '84** of Butler, Pa., graduated from the Combined Arms and Services Staff School and serves as the personnel officer for the Second Brigade Headquarters. In civilian life, he works for Farmers National Bank.

French and foreign language education professor **Shawn Morrison '84** has moved to Charleston, S.C., where she teaches at the College of Charleston.

Promoted to lieutenant colonel in June, **Bryan Owens '84** will assume command of an Army airborne battalion at Fort Bragg, N.C., next year. He currently is a readiness officer and stationed in Hawaii.

Completing his M.B.A., this year at Duquesne University, **Rob Sauritch '84** is a project accountant for the new PNC Park Project. He lives in Pittsburgh with his two children, Camlyn and Daniel.

The work of **George Barbolish '85** was included in the Scranton, Pa., Artists for Art exhibit called Inside Out: Myth, Memory, and Meaning.

In a promotion, **Jim Balestino '86** was named general manager of the Jackson, Mich., branch of Adams Outdoor Advertising. **Janet Kirchner Balestino '86** cares for Zachary and Dylan and is a fashion coordinator for Weekenders Clothing for Women.

Promoted to district sales manager for Grainger Industrial Supply, **Kirk Doel '86** has moved from Michigan to McDonald, Pa., with his wife, Barbara.

Sewickley, Pa., resident **Christen Wisinski Katsas '86** was promoted to tax supervisor for Sisterson and Company.

A national educational consultant with NCS Corporation, **Edward Keller '86** received his doctorate in education from Penn State. He lives in Bloomsburg with his wife, **Lisa Torretti Keller '87**, and their sons, Nathan and Nicholas.

Mary Beth Kozar Callan '87 is an attorney with Beasley, Casey, and Erbstein in Philadelphia. She received a J.D. degree from Temple in 1993.

Erie residents **Julianne Weibel Foltz '87** and **Paul Foltz '89** have two sons, Gregory, six, and Hayden, four. Practicing law for nine years, Julianne is an assistant district attorney for Erie County, while Paul is an adult probation and parole officer.

The seventh grade educational technology specialist in the Greater Latrobe School District, **Holly Lanich Gibson '87, '99** is responsible for instructing students in various applications on laptop computers.

Having graduated from Duquesne University School of Law, **Mittie Snyder '87, M'93** has taken a senior position with Arthur Andersen in Vienna, Va.

For the last three years, **Aric Caplan '88** has directed the Washington, D.C., operations of Newman Communications, which specializes in publicity for books and authors and news-driven public affairs campaigns.

Henry Codd '88 has been named director of finance and administration for Griffin and Company, a Washington, D.C., marketing communications firm.

Mark Weidner M'88 was promoted to head academic adviser in Truman State University's residential college system. He and his wife, **Ann Peplinski Weidner '89**, live in Kirksville, Mo.

Brian Davis '89 and **Melanie Murphy Davis '90, M'91** of Orange, Va., recently visited campus. Their trip must have included a trip to the IUP Co-op Store, because they sent a photo of their son, 13-month-old Aidan, wearing an IUP hat. The photo can be seen in *IUP Magazine's* edition of Web Extra, located at <http://www.iup.edu/puboff/iupmag>.

Alvin Rodgers '89 of Reynoldsville, Pa., received his M.B.A. degree from York College of Pennsylvania in May.

Completing his residency in internal medicine at Cornell University Medical Center, **Bruce Rose '89** married Helen Schursky this fall. **Jeff George '89** was a groomsman.

Milwaukee resident **Meg Shuey '89** has recently been promoted to senior brand manager at S.C. Johnson Wax. Over the last two years, Meg has concentrated on the development and commercialization of AllerCare home allergen control products.

Having completed his M.B.A. at Gannon University, **Rob Wright '89**, who is a business team leader for Bristol Myers Squibb, has been accepted into Cleveland State University's business doctoral program. He and his wife, **Beverly Butler Wright '90**, who works for Case Management Support Services, live in Erie.

Ted Young '89 has been promoted to tax partner at Pricewaterhouse Coopers, while **Sheila Wisnewski Young '90** was promoted to accounting director of Meritor Automotive. They live in Rochester Hills, Mich., with their son, Shawn, and their dog.

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Rebecca Crouch Dietz '90 lives with her husband, Erik Dietz, whom she married on July 3, 1999, in McLean, Va. Bridal attendants included her sister, **Lisa Crouch Tempalski '92**, as well as **Cindy Sliwa '90** and **Jane von Hofen Lesko '92**.

Susan Rehar Fariss '90 lives in Duncannon, Pa., with her husband, Michael. Both are teachers; Susan is

the learning support teacher at Susquehanna School District.

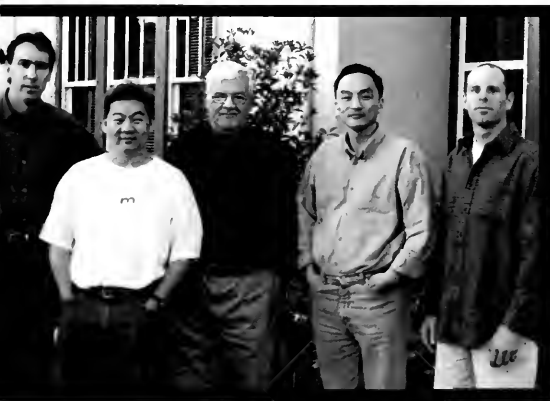
In the wedding of **Carolyn Rusnak Kline '90** and Jim Kline, **Linda Ruszala Yesenosky '90** was a bridesmaid.

While enjoying hiking and hiking in her free time, **Jennifer Premoshis '90** lives near California's Yosemite National Park and serves as manager of planning and analysis for Yosemite Concession Services.

Gloria DeFabo McElwain '91, who is an English teacher at Liganore High School, her husband, Jay, and their three children recently moved to Frederick, Md.

Married last June, **Nicole Detzel Duskey '92** and her husband, Bill, asked **Carolyn Pellas Nicastro '92** to be a bridesmaid in their wedding.

Shortly after obtaining a Master of Science Degree in Human Resources Management from La Roche College, **Jeff Houser '92** earned his Professional in Human Resources certification and accepted a position as a human resources coordinator with Michael Baker Corporation in Pittsburgh.



Design west: Retired art professor **Robert Slenker '52** traveled west to visit alumni of his design classes, all of whom are graphic designers in the San Francisco Bay area. From left are **Don Donoughe '80**, **Kwang Liew '86**, **Robert Slenker**, **Kwang Liew '88**, and **John Ritter '88**.

A Horsham Clinic mental health therapist who plans to complete her master's degree at Chestnut Hill College next May, **Heidi Haney Hughes '93** lives in Warminster, Pa., with her husband, Harry, and daughter, Amber. **Erika van der Zon '92** was a bridesmaid in her wedding.

The parents of Amarisa and Kieran, **Don Miles '93** and **Valerie Lefebvre Miles '94** of Nanty Glo, Pa., own Little Blessings, a children's furniture and accessories store in



BOOKENDS

Painting the Eastern Shore Skipjacks and workboats, tidal rivers, coastal marshes, fishing shacks, charming streetscapes, historic houses, marinas, and town parks with bandstands all are part of seascape and landscape of the Chesapeake and Delaware bays, making them among the favorite subjects of professional and amateur artists. *Painting the Eastern Shore by James Iams '50* combines visits to some of the best spots in this region along with step-by-step lessons for learning the art of watercolor. Published by the Johns Hopkins University Press, the book contains forty-six illustrations, as well as descriptions of the most memorable places in the region. Iams, an accomplished artist, lives in Lutherville, Md.

Pirates Treasures Published by George Ecslin '73, *Pirates Treasures Facts: Feats, Firsts in Pittsburgh Pirates History* offers a colorful look at the Bucs and emphasizes offbeat moments through the years. Written by **Bob Fulton '75**, the author of many sports titles and contributing editor

of *IUP Magazine*, the book includes anecdotes about a doubleheader played underwater, the outfielder who "caught" his own home run ball, and the Pirates outfielders whose pursuit of a batted ball was halted by a Cincinnati fan brandishing a revolver.

Mora Baseball Facts Fulton also is the author of *Top Ten Baseball Stats: Interesting Rankings of Players, Managers, Umpires, and Teams*. Published by McFarland and Company, the book delves into the history of the national pastime and tells the stories behind the numbers. Among many baseball tales, Fulton tells about Satchel Paige, who was fifty-nine (and possibly older) when he made his final big-league appearance in 1965.

Other Books Marketing Department faculty member **Lisa Sciuilli** is the author of *Innovation in the Retail Banking Industry: The Impact of Organizational Structure and Environment on the Adoption Process*, published recently by Garland of New York.



Duncansville. Don is safety manager of McLanahan Corporation.

Married last September, **Rita Harr Salcedo '93**, a strategic accounts manager for Williams Conferencing, lives in Aurora, Colo., with her husband, Rizalino. They asked **Susan Karloski Wise '93** to be a bridesmaid in their wedding.

David Scott '93 reports he and his wife, Shancen, and their sons, five-year-old Davontae and two-year-old David, live in the Phoenix, Ariz., area.

Pittsburgh resident **Paul Hannah '94** has been named a manager in PricewaterhouseCoopers' assurance and business advisory services practice.

Members of the wedding party of **Jason Janicki '94** and **Danielle Morra**

Janicki '96 included **Sean Gildea '94**, **Patrick Sullivan '94**, **Amy Stockhausen Gildea '96**, **Dana Williams '96**, **Danielle O'Antonio '97**, and current student Jennifer Morra.

At the wedding of Bridgeville, Pa., residents **John Marshall '94** and **Tracy Bille Marshall '94**, **Pam Lyons Armanini '94** and **Brian Marshall '99** were participants. Tracy is a medical technologist for Quest Diagnostics, and John is OSHA manager for Washington County.

Steven Mock '94 and **Jennifer Smith '95** of Annapolis, Md., plan to be married in May and have asked **Lou Lang '94**, **Leigh Wagner '94**, **John Zelowoski '94**, **Jill Moellenbrock-Richards '95**, **Heather Nestle '95**, and **Nicole Salsgiver-Godfrey '96** to be in their wedding party. Steve works for

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Airwalk International, and Jennifer is a USDA dietitian.

Dawn Solomon Rager '94, her husband, Chuck, and their twin girls, Kayla Ann and Kimberly Ann, live in Maytown, Pa.

Kacy Fisher Rea '94 and her husband, P. J., asked **Laura Magness Bowser '94** and **Heavenly Baker '95** to participate in their wedding.

When **Melissa Lang Shields '94** married William Shields, **Susan Miller Koma '94** served as matron of honor in the wedding. Melissa is a second grade teacher and lives in Watertown, Mass.

A C.P.A., **Brian Walker '94** has been named a partner in the Pittsburgh firm of Houston and Milinovich.

Because they wanted to share a photo of all their IUP friends who attended their wedding, **Stacy Overdorff Walter '94** and **Mark Walter '95** submitted it to *IUP Magazine*. It can be viewed in the magazine's edition of Web Extra, located at <http://www.iup.edu/puboff/iupmag>.



Married a year ago, **Cindy Edmiston Donaldson '95**, **M'96** and **David Donaldson '96** of Phoenix, Ariz., asked the following alumni to participate in their wedding: **Judy Jones Hubeny '95**, **Christopher Reeves '96**, and **Stephanie Edmiston '99**.

Camp Hill, Pa., residents **Tracy Stellino Polovick '95** and her husband, Brad, asked **Becky Pupo '94**, **Rene Summerville '95**, and **Wil Rohde '96** to participate in their wedding.

In October, **Debbie Sorg '95** of Pittsburgh married Mark Zallenick. She asked **Stacy Benzing '97** to be her bridesmaid.

Seventy-six at Seven Springs:

Friends from the Class of 1976, who began their freshman years together in 1972, met at Seven Springs Resort near Somerset, Pa., for the first time in a decade.

In the top row are Kris Manone, Lynn Hofstetter, Lisa Kovach Jandanzhy, Sue Rowland, Trish Boyle, and Pat Strefeler Tellers. In the front row are Theresa Sabol, Patty Rutch Stiles, Joan Schaeffer Kiek, Joan Baldauf Horoho, and Marlene Onesky.

A middle school science teacher in the Fort Worth Independent School District, **Mark Cerja '97** was honored by Tandy/RadioShack in recognition of success in challenging his students.

Kimberly Zuccher Hastings '97 and **Scott Hastings '97** asked their IUP friends Isabelle Vuong and John Lee to be part of their wedding.

Melissa Klein '97 received a bachelor's degree in nursing from the University of Pittsburgh in August.

A member of the executive committee of the Modern Language Association, **Thomas Long D'97**, a faculty member at Thomas Nelson Community College in Hampton, Va., will offer a literature course on the World Wide Web that focuses on apocalypticism and millennialism in world cultures. The course topic is an extension of his dissertation research on AIDS and American apocalypticism.

Married last spring, **Melissa Long Oliver '97** asked **Nicole James '97**, **Lorie Williams '97**, and **Amy Cujas '98** to be in her wedding to Michael Oliver.

David Schellenberger '97 and **Carrie Cujas Schellenberger '98** of Orlando, Fla., sent a photo of all their IUP friends who attended their wedding last year. It may be viewed in *IUP Magazine's* edition of Web Extra, located at <http://www.iup.edu/puboff/iupmag>.

An account service assistant for Video Monitoring Services of America, **Matthew Warnock '97** works in all aspects of media and public relations for the Washington, D.C., firm.

Jodie and Jason Gordish '98 asked **Christa Gordish Mika '94** and current sophomore Matt Young to participate in their wedding.

Lost and Found

Anthropology Alumni: Students on an Anthropology Specialty Floor in Gordon Hall would like to network with you and learn about your career. Contact Resident Assistant Holly Anderson, 403 Gordon, at (724) 723-3881 or kry@grove.iup.edu.

Jeannine Gratton or Anyone Who Can Help Locate Her: Please contact Laura DeFazio at 308 1/2 Meadow Avenue, Charleroi, PA 15022; (724) 463-4461.

Crystal Emswiler: Please contact Kathy

FAR AFIELD

Holly Anderson, a junior Anthropology major from Tididore, Pa., spent five weeks this past summer at a field school in north-central Illinois. Sponsored by Loyola University, the school gave college students exposure to fieldwork in both historic and prehistoric archaeology of the Midwest. According to Phillip Neusius, chairperson of IUP's Anthropology Department, "Fieldwork is central to being an anthropologist, and we are always excited to see our students taking advantage of these opportunities. This past summer, we also had a student at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington and another working in a remote agricultural village in northern India. Closer to home, we had a student working with the local historical society helping them develop a catalog for their collections of historic artifacts." Students, Neusius said, were not the only ones in the field during the summer. Victor Garcia and his wife, Laura Gonzales, "ran an ethnographic field school in rural Mexico, an opportunity we expect to be offering our own students in the near future."



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An emergency room nurse at Southern Maryland Hospital, **Kristine Bloom Strauss '95** lives in Huntingtown, Md., with her husband, Jim. Kris recently became certified in emergency care.

Roseanne Youstic '95 works for the U.S. Treasury Department, involved in the restructuring of the customer services and individual accounts division of the agency, and contributes to an IRS newsletter. A photo of her and IRS Commissioner Charles Rossotti can be viewed in *IUP Magazine* Web Extra, located at <http://www.iup.edu/puboff/iupmag>. **Alex Youstic '95** is the senior safety officer for the Richmond Division of Limbach Industries. Rose and Alex live in Richmond, Va.

The 1996 wedding of **Suzanne Stromberg Fox '96** and **Steve Fox** included **Scott Digel '96**, **Shelley Crosby '97**, and Erica Stromberg. Since the wedding, two daughters have arrived: Havley and McCauley.

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Marriages

1950s

Richard Learn '56, M'63 to Sharon Kermack, August 15, 1998.

1970s

Sharon Gross '78 to James Martell, July 9, 1999. **Andrea Henry-Shiley '78** to Daniel Boley, February 6, 1999. **Nadine Waybright '79** to Robert Nace, April 10, 1999.

1980s

Anita Loniero '83 to Jim Doncaster, April 24, 1999. **Laurie McDonough '85** to **Charles Dean '95** (Culinary), August 14, 1999. **Marcia Corte '88** to Michael Belice, August 29, 1998. **Gabriella Coury '88** to **Scot Ben '88**, April 25, 1998. **Bruce Rose '89** to Helen Schursky, October 16, 1999. **Meg Shuey '89** to Michael Sranske, September 11, 1999.

1990s

Kevin Ben '90, M'95 to Tracy Robertson '92, October 16, 1993. **Rebecca Crouch Boyer '90** to Erik Dietz, July 3, 1999. **Carolyn Rusnak '90** to Jim Kline, July 17, 1999. **Nancy Evans '91** to Curt Runyan, October 10, 1998. **Scott Moore '91** to Julie Sheets, September 19, 1998. **Nina Cortese '92** to Sean Olevo, May 9, 1998. **Nicole Detzel '92** to Bill Duskey, June 19, 1999. **Martha Kimmel '92** to Joseph Tomko, May 21, 1994. **Heidi Haney '93** to Harry Hughes, April 13, 1996. **Tracy Bille '94** to John Marshall '94, May 22, 1999. **Kacy Fisher '94** to P. J. Rea, June 26, 1999. **Brian Grieco '94** to Jennifer Ott '98, July 24, 1999. **Melissa Lang '94** to William Shields, July 10, 1999. **Stacy Overdorff '94** to Mark Walter '95, July 17, 1999. **James Racchini '94** to Lora Figley, July 24, 1999. **Kris Bloom '95** to James Strauss, November 14, 1998. **Cindy Edmiston '95, M'96** to David Donaldson '96, September 5, 1998. **Kristin Herring '95** to Terry Hahn, August 7, 1999. **Jennifer Klein '95** to Robbie Andrejick, May 8, 1999. **Kristin McCue '95** to Michael Bennett, July 18, 1998. **Tracy Stellino '96** to Brad Polovick, July 3, 1999. **Cheryl Toy '96** to Eric Gemmell, July 12, 1997. **Scott Hastings '97** to Kimberly Zucker '97, October 8, 1999. **Melissa Long '97** to Michael Oliver, May 1, 1999. **Jamie Potosnak '97** to Angela Orlando '98, June 26, 1999. **David Schellenberger '97** to Carrie Cujas '98, September 12, 1998. **Jason Gordish '98** to Jodie Adams, May 1, 1999.

Births

1970s

To **Tim Morgan '73, M'77** and Sally Morgan, twin sons, Thayne James and Zane Neil, July 6, 1999. To **Mike King '77** and Cherie King, a son, Nicholas Robert, May 27, 1999.

1980s

To **Christina Fucile Bell '80** and **Robert Bell '82**, a son, Robert, April 23, 1999. To **Beth Orr Dickey '80** and Ron Dickey, a daughter, Claire Shea, May 6, 1999. To **Scott Dillon '81** and **Jamie Heiry Dillon '84**, a daughter, Casey Lynn, February 4, 1999. To **Mary Benson Solberg '81** and Roger Solberg, a son, David, April 19, 1995, a son, Peter, September 30, 1996, and a son, Jon, August 10, 1998. To **Jeff Maucieri '82** and **Leanne Farber Maucieri '83**, a son, Ryan Joseph, April 12, 1999. To **Marty Sayers Meissner '82** and Robert Meissner, a son, Jacob

Russell, December 7, 1998. To **Ronda Aiello Wian '82, M'83** and Paul Wian, a son, Blake Adam, July 7, 1999. To **Donna Lutz Yanalavage '82** and William Yanalavage, a daughter, Amy Marie, July 28, 1999. To **Nancy Panzak Bubecek '83** and Michael Bubecek, a son, John Edward, April 1, 1999. To **Denise Martin Eschenmann '83** and Michael Eschenmann, a daughter, Cara Marie, July 24, 1999. To **Christine Reardon Kardish '83** and Tom Kardish, a daughter, McKenna Elizabeth, August 8, 1993, a son, Christian Thomas, June 9, 1996, a daughter, Julianna Christine, September 19, 1997, and a daughter, Caroline Grace, June 18, 1999. To **Sarah Cummings Kashetta '83** and Thomas Kashetta, a son, Matthew Thomas, March 31, 1999. To **Lisa Kantner Schwartz '83** and Roger Schwartz, an adopted daughter, Bethany Lin Xia, born March 13, 1998, and adopted February 23, 1999. To **Kimberly Hobson Granatire '84, M'85** and Mark Granatire, a son,

Mark, March 26, 1997. To **Robert Kanick '84** and Andrea Kanick, a son, Robert, June 18, 1999. To **John Planitzer '84** and **Carol Tihney Planitzer '84**, a daughter, Hayley Ann, July 8, 1999. To **Kathy Guillian Zinski '84** and Chuck Zinski, a daughter, Natalie Marie, March 4, 1999. To **Lori Hamilton Guzikowski '85** and Edward Guzikowski, a son, Ethan Raymond, February 11, 1999. To **Barbara Serbin Henderson '85** and Jeffrey Henderson, a daughter, Anna Grace, March 29, 1999. To **Michael Sanino '85** and **Sally Drake-Sanino, '86**, a son, Mark William, May 5, 1999. To **Todd Schick '85** and **Lisa Eberly Schick '86**, a son, Jacob Anthony, April 23, 1999. To **Donna Carlson Shemon '85** and Jude Shemon, triplets, Andrew John, Claire Julia, and Daniel Jude, May 18, 1999. To **Debbie Kent Capic '86** and **Steve Capic '86**, a daughter, Allison Elizabeth, August 3, 1999. To **Lisa Kraus Mosler '86** and Damon Mosler, a daughter, Emily Ann, April 29, 1999. To

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To **Denise Campbell Paulson '87** and Greg Paulson, a daughter, Kayla Elizabeth, March 24, 1999. To **Christina Laganella Zeiders '87** and Richard Zeiders, a son, Brady Matthew, April 12, 1999. To **Jeff Brunner '88** and **Josie DiNunzio Brunner '88**, M'89, a son, Robert William, November 18, 1995, and a daughter, Rosalie Virginia, May 13, 1999. To **Aric Caplan '88** and Marla Caplan, a daughter, Jodi Alexis, May 18, 1999. To **Patricia Allen Chilcott '88**, M'89 and Robert Chilcott, a daughter, Lauren Nicole, September 28, 1994, and a daughter, Alison Marie, July 23, 1999. To **David Concannon '88** and Karen Concannon, a daughter, Megan Elizabeth, January 18, 1999. To **Amy Higgins Emery '88** and **John Emery '88**, a son, Shane Thomas, July 19, 1995, and a daughter, Casey Leigh, February 12, 1999. To **Alan Fox '88** and **Sue Ann Johnson Fox '88**, a daughter, Emma Alyson, December 17, 1994, and a son, Evan Alan, March 1, 1999. To **Nina Lonchar Ingram '88** and Timothy Ingram, a son, Eric Joseph, April 5, 1997, and a daughter, Bethany Lynn, May 13, 1999. To **Matthew Kovatch '88** and Mary Kovatch, a son, Christopher Patrick, May 30, 1999. To **Eileen Elias Thomas '88**, M'89 and Julius Thomas, a son, Julius Joseph, June 23, 1999. To **Cathy Stelbousky Willett '88** and Joe Willett, a daughter, Grace Caroline, May 5, 1999. To **Leda Eannace Niccolai '89** and **Brian Niccolai '90**, a daughter, Dominica Marie, June 14, 1999. To **Bob Reich '89** and Carrie Reich, a son, Ryan Charles, October 29, 1998. To **Claudia Smith Ruppel '89** and **Carl Ruppel '89**, a son, William Henry, June 29, 1998. To **Ted Young '89** and **Sheila Wisniewski Young '90**, a son, Shawn Richard, December 15, 1998.

1990s

To **Kevin Ben '90**, M'95 and **Tracy Robertson Ben '92**, a son, Tyler Michael,



IUP in Manhattan: In May, more than 125 IUP alumni and friends from throughout the New York area met at the Yale Club in an event planned by the Alumni Office in cooperation with Distinguished Alumni Award winner Kathleen Kunder '68. Among those present were President Lawrence K. Pettit, Vice President for Institutional Advancement Joan M. Fisher, and the alumni pictured (left to right): Nadeem Butt '91, M'93, Ashikh Ramkalawon '92, M'93, Shurenska Maduro '96, and Sharjil Zaman '92.

April 21, 1998. To **Carol Metz Palmer '90** and Keith Palmer, a son, Carson Mitchell, April 14, 1999. To **Christine Ritz Robinson '90** and **Steve Robinson '90**, a daughter, Lynnea, January 12, 1999. To **Leann Ernest Smith '90** and James Smith, a son, Sean James Harvey, April 26, 1999. To **Barbara Martin Taylor '90** and Tim Taylor, a son, Martin Edward, March 18, 1996, and a daughter, Clarice Elizabeth Martin, June 23, 1999. To **Deborah Myer Wagner '90** and **Scott Wagner '90**, a son, Peter William, March 18, 1999. To **Jane Anderson Wymer '90** and Randal Wymer, a son, David Aaron, July 24, 1999. To **Kathleen Bernhart Adair '91** and John Adair, a daughter, Halle Christine, November 28, 1998. To **Melissa Lecker Aloï '91** and Marshall Aloï, a daughter, Rebecca Kathryn, April 17, 1998. To **Sec Briselli '91** and **Diana Levine Briselli '92**, a daughter, Emily Elaine, June 3, 1999. To **John Burkett '91** and **Vicki Bruscinelli Burkett '92**, a daughter, Ashley Nicole, March 27, 1999. To **Molly Miles Franjione '91** and Joe Franjione, a son, Joey, October 11, 1997, and a son, Sam, March 24, 1999. To **Andrea Palm Johannesen '91** and Tom Johannesen, a son, George Thomas, December 17, 1998. To **Sharon Wirkowski Long '91** and Tom Long, a son, Ryan Thomas, January 21, 1996, and a daughter, Olivia Marie, July 17, 1999. To **Joe McCreary '91** and **Beth Snodgrass McCreary '92**, a daughter, Jenna Brielle, July 18, 1999. To **Julie Pumilia Procter '91** and Matthew Procter, a son, Jordan Matthew, July 21, 1996, and a daughter, Megan Nicole, March 27, 1998. To **Stacie Waltz Sweet '91** and **Robert Sweet '91**, a son, Bradley Robert, June 7, 1999. To **Melissa Worst Bosco '92** and **Michael Bosco '92**, twin daughters, Lindsay Anne and Lauren Ashley, May 21, 1999.

To **Curtis Ferber '92** and **Cindy Filippi Ferber '93**, a son, Spencer Albert, May 2, 1999. To **Tim O'Donoghue '92** and Theresa O'Donoghue, a daughter, Aiden, February 20, 1999. To **Nina Cortese Olexo '92** and Sean Olexo, a son, Luke Paul, April 21, 1999. To **Monica Hudak Reinke '92** and **Jason Reinke '92**, a son, Brett Alexander, June 7, 1999. To **Catherine Hughes Restauri '92** and Donald Restauri, a son, Alexander Joseph, May 20, 1999. To **Randy Stephens '92**, M'95 and **Krista Pletcher Stephens '92**, a son, R. Connor, June 22, 1999. To **Martha Kimmel Tomko '92** and Joseph Tomko, a son, James Joseph, May 28, 1999. To **Andrew Ajamian '93** and **Cindy Morford-Ajamian '93**, a daughter, Brianna Grace, May 16, 1998. To **Danielle Dolence Amey '93** and Christian Amey, a daughter, Mikayla Danielle, May 26, 1999. To **Heidi Haney Hughes '93** and Harry Hughes, a daughter, Amber Marie, June 29, 1999. To **Donald Miles '93** and **Valerie Lefebure Miles '94**, a daughter, Amarisa Mackenzie, May 23, 1997, and a son, Kieran Alec, April 28, 1999. To **Patty Santoriello Stegura '93** and Matt Stegura, a daughter, Carol Anne, July 25, 1999. To **Andrea Clark Masturzo '94** and Kevin Masturzo, a son, Antonio Emanuel, December 2, 1997. To **Dawn Solomon Rager '94** and Chuck Rager, twin daughters, Kayla Ann and Kimberly Ann, May 6, 1999. To **Felicia Cornetta Musillo '94** and Mark Musillo, a daughter, Alexandra Marie, January 5, 1999. To **Tracy Morris Searight '94** and Jonathan Searight, a daughter, Brittany, May 20, 1996, and a son, Michael, September 18, 1997. To **Janet Sabotchick Bucher '95** and William Bucher, a son, Ryan Douglas, May 4, 1999. To **Andrea Boito Hildebrand M'95** and **Ryan Hildebrand '96**, a daughter, Laura Joy, June 8, 1999. To **Adam Toy '95**

and Michelle Toy, a daughter, Lisabeth Kay, July 30, 1999. To **Suzanne Stromberg Fox '96** and Steve Fox, a daughter, Hayley Anne, April 3, 1997, and a daughter, McCauley Jo, February 18, 1999.

Deaths

1921: Esther Belknap Wallace.
1924: Nellie Schmitt Bowers.
1926: Mary Bagley
1930: Eva Hayes Marshall, Helen Switzer Moore, Hazel Brown Myers.
1932: Dorothy Argall Jones, Grace Byron Kauffman, Gwendolyn Smith.
1933: Eva Harrington Bieberstein.
1935: Elsie LaMantia.
1939: Mildred Black Gwin
1940: Galen Ober. **1942:** Ruth Gass, James Lamendola. **1943:** Mila Orr Bovard. **1948:** Bernard Ganley*
1951: Ernest Sell. **1957:** Richard Kelly
1960: Helen Bloch McClincy.
1962: Charles ("C.P.") Harris
1976: Glenn Maloney.
1978: Rosemarie Kraynak*
1987: Sr. Helen Burda

*Faculty or staff member or former faculty or staff member

Other Deaths

Cathy Lynn Burns, a freshman at the university, died on May 28, 1999.
Ruth DeCesare, a faculty member in the Music Department from 1969 until her retirement in 1988, died May 20, 1999.
Robert Ensley, who taught English and dramatic arts, started the Summer Theater Guild, orchestrated Swing-Out with Charles Davis, and was one of the university's best-known faculty members before his retirement in 1976, died June 2, 1999.
Ian Haraburda, a junior at the university, died June 19, 1999.
Willard Kaylor, a faculty member in the Health and Physical Education Department from 1969 until his retirement in 1983, died June 29, 1999.
Raymond Lee, chairperson of the Social Sciences Department from 1953 until his retirement in 1976, died August 8, 1999.
Randy Murray, a senior majoring in Criminology, died on June 1, 1999.

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TOP ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT:

- Ken is wearing the gray "inside-out" fleece sweatshirt, with crimson embroidered Indiana University of Pennsylvania. Poly/cotton blend crew by Gear For Sports. White hat with IUP in crimson diamond and crimson bill by Legacy. Also available in white with navy diamond and navy bill.
Inside-out Fleece sku #100515, S, M, L, XL \$46.95, XXL \$49.95
Legacy diamond hat sku #100606, Adjustable, \$17.95
- Matt is wearing the khaki "Tahoe" sweatshirt with khaki embroidered Indiana University of Pennsylvania and Est. 1875. 100% polyester Bavarian fleece by Gear For Sports. Also available in navy with khaki embroidery, and oxford gray with navy embroidery. Khaki hat with navy embroidered IUP by Legacy. Also available in navy with khaki IUP, and moss green with navy IUP.
Tahoe sweatshirt sku #100523, S, M, L, XL \$46.95, XXL \$48.95
Legacy typewriter hat sku #100506, Adjustable, \$15.95
- Bill is wearing the khaki sueded, double knit cotton/poly blend sweatshirt with khaki embroidered IUP/1875. By Gear For Sports. Also available in navy with khaki embroidery.
Sueded sweatshirt sku #100517, S, M, L, XL \$47.95, XXL \$49.95

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Big Cotton sweatshirt sku #100516, S, M, L, XL \$42.95, XXL \$44.95
Legacy typewriter hat sku #100506, Adjustable, \$15.95
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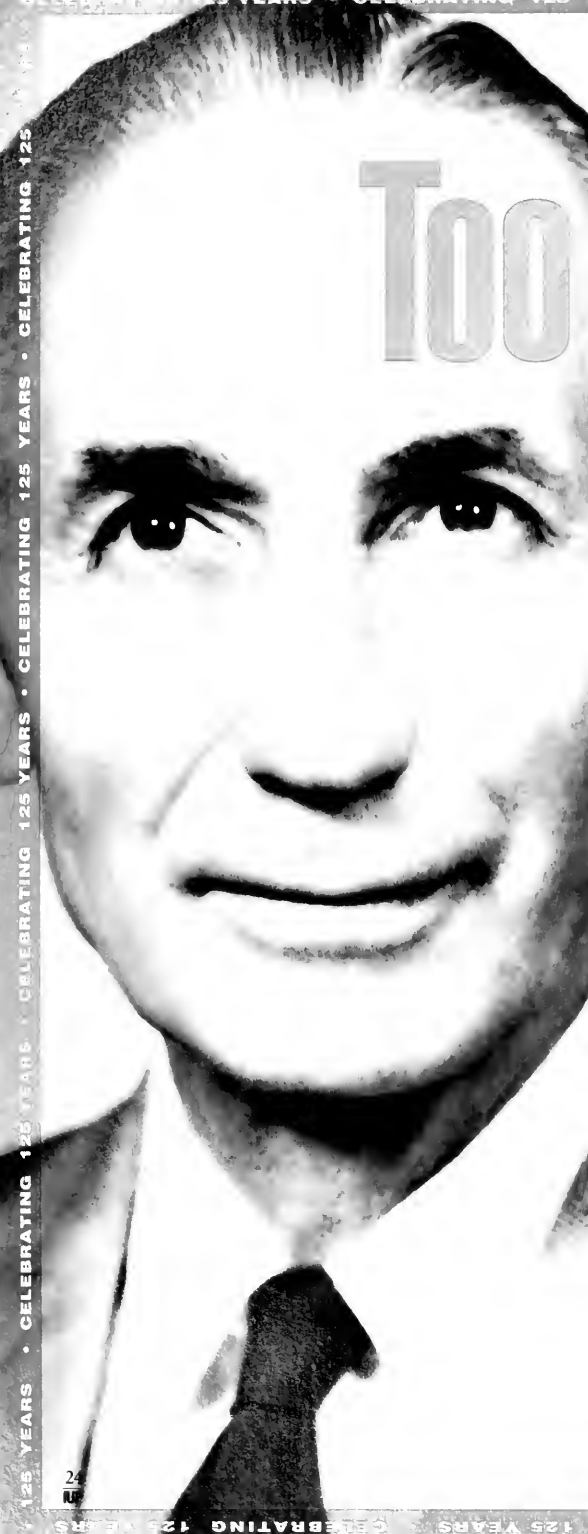
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By Bob Fulton

Too Good to Be True

I first became acquainted with George Miller in 1974—four years after his death. His former players, in effect, brought him back to life.

I was then an IUP student, assigned to write a feature about Miller for the homecoming game program. I knew he had reigned over athletics on campus for thirty-five years (1926-61), coaching football, basketball, baseball, track, golf, swimming, and wrestling. That he also served as athletic director, supervised intramurals, taught health and physical education classes, and was later promoted to chairman of the department. I also knew he'd been inducted into the NAIA Hall of Fame, just reward for his tireless dedication to athletics at IUP dating from the Normal School era.

But I didn't know the man. That was to change soon enough. Through interviews with his players conducted twenty-five years apart—some in 1974, some in 1999—a clear picture of Miller gradually developed, like a Polaroid snapshot. They recall him as a gentleman and a gentle man, respected and respectful, quick to praise and quicker still to deflect praise directed his way, a quiet, humble sort loathe to draw attention to himself. In short, he was a sterling role model for several generations of athletes who were privileged to call him Coach.

They revere Miller unabashedly and speak of him with a depth of feeling that suggests not so much a coach-player relationship as a family relationship.

"He was a father figure to us. We just respected him so much," says Boyd Stroup, a veteran of four football seasons under Miller sandwiched around World War II and a fellow member of the IUP Athletic Hall of Fame. "You played for him because you loved him. He just touched so many lives."

Through the years, Miller took under his wing a multitude of athletes, most of an impressionable age, many in need of direction in their lives. He was, in the words of a speaker at Miller Stadium's 1962 dedication, "a builder of men." An athlete couldn't help but benefit from his influence, partly because of Miller's character, partly because Miller couldn't be avoided.



George Miller is second from left in this Oct. 1946 photo from the archives. The others, from left, are Kermit, Sam, and Earl. Miller is standing on the right.

IUP Sports Information

"He was the athletic department," says Billy Hunter, who quarterbacked Miller's last two football teams (1946-47) and later spent six years playing major league baseball. "He coached everything."

That's no exaggeration. Miller deftly juggled his myriad tasks, leading football, basketball, and golf squads to conference championships and producing undefeated football teams in 1934 (6-0) and 1940 (7-0-1), the only ones in modern school history. But long after victories and championships have faded from memory, what stays with Miller's players are examples of his kindness and caring. Ken Davis, who starred on IUP's title-winning 1934 basketball squad, put it best: "He was more than a coach." Hundreds of alumni who played under Miller will read that line and no doubt nod affirmatively.

"He was a man with a lot of compassion and understanding," says Ray Bernabei, who participated in basketball, baseball, and wrestling at IUP and served as the school's first soccer coach—while still a student—in 1946. "Anytime you wanted help, anytime you wanted advice, you could go to him. When you're a young guy, nineteen, twenty years old, it's very important to have someone like that."

Miller regarded IUP athletes as members of his extended

family. Some spent the night at the Miller residence when they couldn't find a ride home after a late-night game. Others regularly joined the Millers at mealtime. Their successes on and off the field brought him untold joy, and their setbacks sometimes moved him to tears.

"I tore up my shoulder pretty bad at Clarion in 1949," recalls Jim Laughlin, who played four years of football at IUP. "Mr. Miller, who went to all the games [he was no longer the coach], took me to a doctor up there. The doctor examined my shoulder and said, 'I don't think you'll be able to play anymore.' I looked at Mr. Miller and he was almost ready to cry. He really felt for his players—if you were hurting, he was hurting."

Whether physically or financially. Back in 1974, long-time wrestling coach Lew Shaffer, a football assistant under Miller, related a tale about an unexpected visitor to the Miller residence.

"One day, a young man knocked on their door," Shaffer said. "Mrs. Miller answered, and the man asked to see Mr. Miller. She said he wasn't home, so he handed her some money and said it was for Mr. Miller."

It seems that several years earlier, Miller gave the man \$50 so he could stay in school. After he graduated and was working for awhile, the man earned enough money to

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repay Miller. "George had forgotten about it," Shaffer said. That's vintage Miller, who seemed almost too good to be true. He had his faults, of course, but a biographer might wander the globe like Diogenes in a futile search for evidence of them. I haven't heard a negative word about the man.

"I really don't think you will, either," says Hunter, who first met Miller as a seventh-grader while attending the Laboratory School on campus. "Everyone at Indiana thought of him fondly."

They did from the moment he arrived, apparently. According to the 1927 *Instano*, Miller "has already won himself into the hearts of the Indiana sports fans." A transplanted Midwesterner—he played football, baseball, and ice hockey at La Crosse (Wis.) State Teachers College, then ventured east to earn undergraduate and graduate degrees at Columbia University in New York—Miller possessed the kind of athletic background, academic credentials, and principles that Indiana Normal School administrators found irresistible. He was hired to teach physics, ed. classes and to coach the football, basketball, and baseball teams, each of which flourished under his steady guidance.

"George Miller, since coming to Indiana in 1926, has made a very enviable record for himself due to the success of the teams he has coached," noted the 1928 *Oak*. "A casual perusal of the records of the football, baseball, or basketball teams since then shows a large majority of the games placed in the right side of the ledger. Not only does Coach teach athletes to be both heady and capable players, but he also instills in all the members of his teams the spirit of fellowship and fair play."

Miller also insisted his players conduct themselves like gentlemen. No raised voices, no flashes of temper, no disrespect shown to opponents. In that regard, Miller led by example, for his demeanor on the sidelines seemed more suited to a librarian than a coach.

"He was a very calm man," says Al Mauro, a tackle on Miller's 1940 title team. "He never seemed to get angry. And I never heard him utter a swear word, regardless of whether he was winning or losing."

There were no Ditka-like outbursts from Miller, even when one of his players flubbed an assignment. He'd pull the offender aside, drape an arm around his shoulders, and, speaking as softly as Mister Rogers, make his point.

"I think he was the perfect person to play for," says Stroup. "He was such a great teacher. And you just got the idea he was teaching you not only about football—he was teaching you about life."

True, his lessons extended well beyond proper execution of the pick and roll or the quarterback draw. Miller instilled values that made his players not only better athletes, but better citizens.

"He was interested in developing people with high moral standards and an awareness of the importance of fairness and integrity in your lifestyle as well as your athletic endeavors," recalls football standout Paul Spears. "I just think George Miller was one of those rare and special individuals. In my book he was A-1."

Praise of that sort invariably caused Miller more discomfort than tight shoes. Offer him compliments for a job well done and he'd squirm like a toddler at a wedding. Miller would credit his players following victories while trivializing his own role.

"He was happy for the team," said Davis, recalling the 1934 conference title in basketball. "It wasn't a feather in his cap as far as he was concerned."

Miller never puffed out his chest when talk turned to his many victories and championships. He possessed such an unassuming, unpretentious nature that a stranger would never guess Miller was, as pre-World War II basketball standout Gene DeMatt calls him, "one of the best coaches in the country."

"He was so low-key about things," recalls Sam Fargiuele, who knew Miller socially and through his role as IUP's public relations director. "If anyone in his circle of friends ever brought up something he'd done, he'd kind of pooh-pooh it. He didn't want a lot of recognition for what he did. I think he was a genuinely humble person."

As such, he disdained the spotlight, preferring to work his magic with a minimum of fanfare.

"As far as I'm concerned, he was the greatest man that ever was—a great coach and a great person," says Don Rinkus, who caddied for Miller at Indiana Country Club as a youngster and later played golf for him at IUP. "And yet, he was sort of a background guy. He would never make a fuss about anything he had done."

Fortunately, others stepped forward to champion his cause when the university revealed plans to build a new football stadium. *Penn* sports editor Larry Judge became the first to propose in print that the facility be named for IUP's long-time coach.

"For many years the name of George Miller was synonymous with Indiana sports," wrote Judge, now the university's director of special projects for athletics. "He has given this college a heritage of contributions which can never be quite forgotten."

Miller's players certainly haven't forgotten. They speak reverently of a coach who was in truth more than a coach, a man who cared for them as more than players, a father figure who taught them about more than athletics. And nearly three decades after his death, they achieved the impossible for a writer who knew George Miller only through the numbers in a record book. They brought him to life. 🐾

A World of Information

Whether they live just around the block or half-way around the world, IUP sports fans can visit Mike Hoffman's office at any time—even after hours. He won't mind. He won't even know.

Thanks to Hoffman, the university's sports information director, the world of IUP athletics is now accessible to the world. Fans from Glasgow to Rio, from Khartoum to Saskatoon, can have the latest news at their fingertips—literally—via IUP's World Wide Web site (www.iup.edu). The click of a mouse from that page to the Athletics Department page opens a virtual door to Hoffman's Memorial Field House office.

They can call up information on all seventeen varsity teams, access football broadcasts, and read about the IUP Athletic Hall of Fame. They'll find media releases, rosters, scores, statistics, coach and player biographies, and all-time records sections. There's also a recap of the latest football game—even if the final gun sounded not long before.

"The score's up within fifteen minutes," says Hoffman. "Generally, for home games I'll have a story and all the team and individual statistics up within an hour or an hour and a half. For road games, it's obviously a little more difficult, but I'll try to have everything up by the end of the night. Then on Sunday I'll update the cumulative stats."

Looking for more than a game result? Hoffman has posted a virtual football media guide on-line, including a records section that dates back to the Indians' season-opening 6-0 loss to Muskingum in 1927, when IUP "graduated" to a four-year institution.

"About the only thing in the media guide that's not on our Web site are things like an opponents section and information about the media and game coverage," Hoffman says. "For the most part, everything about the team—the history, the stats, player bios, rosters—is in there."

Other sports are given their due, too. Fans will find game recaps and complete box scores for men's and women's basketball; recaps and line scores for baseball and softball; a game-by-game list of leading scorers for soccer, field hockey, and lacrosse; updated season statistics for most every sport; and records sections for basketball, baseball, swimming, track and field, and football.

Click on women's basketball to find Melissa McGill's hometown (Joliet, Mont.). Click on baseball to find where pitcher Denny Miscik ranks in career victories (sixth, with fifteen). Click on women's swimming to find when IUP's reigning champions will host the 2000 Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference meet (Feb. 17-19). Click on men's track to find the oldest school record (Barry Warren has owned the 800-meter standard since 1971). Click on women's softball to find the team's home run leader last spring (Jamie DeShong, with five).

It's a virtual sports information office on line, accessible to fans from Palm Springs to Alice Springs. With the click of a mouse they can walk through Mike Hoffman's door any time at all—even if it's locked. 🐾



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When she graduates in December after fulfilling her student teaching obligations, **Molly Carr** will embark on an unusual job search. She'll no doubt hire a weight lifter to lug her resume to interviews, loaded down as it is by a list of

honors that approximates *War and Peace* in length. Fact is, Carr will leave IUP as one of the most decorated athletes in school history. In the interest of space, here's a Cliff Notes version of her achievements: in basketball, Carr earned first-team All-Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference honors as a senior, led the Indians to a school-record twenty-six wins—including their first

NCAA Division II tournament victories—and was selected the MVP of the East Regional; in softball, she earned first-team All-PSAC honors three times, was chosen the PSAC West Player of the Year as a senior, and led the Indians to a school-record twenty-seven wins and their first NCAA tournament berth; and in the classroom Carr compiled a perfect 4.0 grade-point average as an ele-

mentary education major. She earned three ECAC/Robbins Scholar-Athlete awards, two PSAC Female Scholar-Athlete awards, and first-team GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-America honors in basketball and softball. "To have somebody in two sports who's a 4.0 student, that's just unreal," marveled women's basketball coach **Sandy Thomas**. "I think the key thing with Molly is that her organizational and time-management skills were just incredible." They had to be. Few students today even dare place two helpings on their athletic plate because the demands are simply too daunting. "It's rare to find anyone these days willing to make sacrifices socially and personally to compete athletically," said softball coach **Sue Snyder**. "I've had players who told me they didn't want to play softball anymore—just one sport—because there were other things they wanted to experience in college. Someone willing to make the commitment Molly's had to make to play two sports—that's a quality you won't find in most kids."

Three members of IUP's track and field team earned All-America honors at the Division II meet in Emporia, Kan., the most in a single year since 1992. Sophomore **Mark Bridge** finished second in the javelin—and fell only fifteen inches shy of becoming the school's fifth national champion in the event—with a career-best heave of 224-3. Sophomore **Derek Brinkley** ran a 51.70 to place fourth and repeat as an All-American in the 400-meter hurdles, and senior **Erick Friedman** finished eighth in the javelin (200-5). Two IUP women also competed: Senior **Lynn Walton** placed tenth in the 3,000-meter run (10:02.74), while senior **Kerri McIntyre** was eliminated in the trials of the 800.

In his role as an agent for No Limit Sports, **Leland Hardy '84** represented running back **Ricky Williams** and handled contract



Molly Carr

Photo by Jeffery L. Williams for the Indiana Gazette

negotiations between the 1998 Heisman Trophy winner and the New Orleans Saints. Hardy also acts as an advisor to tennis-playing sisters Venus and Serena Williams, both of whom are ranked in the world's top ten.

The IUP golf team placed fourteenth at the Division II tournament in Valdosta, Ga., the program's twenty-first top-fifteen finish since 1972. Senior **Mike Drexler** tied for thirty-sixth in the individual competition with a nine-over-par score of 297. At the tournament's awards banquet, Drexler, senior **Jimmy Maack**, and junior **Kevin Fajt** were named to the Golf Coaches Association national academic team.

IUP's football team, coached by **Frank Cignetti '60, M'65**, entered the season ranked fourth among Division II schools this decade in winning percentage, according to the NCAA. The Indians (.86-21-1, .801) trail Pittsburg (Kan.) State, .847; Bentley (Mass.), .839; and Carson-Newman (Tenn.), .818. Only Pitt State has posted more victories (93) since 1990 than IUP.

Mark Kaczanowicz, who served as an assistant under Cignetti, has returned to Indiana as the head football coach at Indiana High School. Kaczanowicz, now in his twenty-fourth season of coaching, looks back fondly on his six seasons (1983-88) at IUP. "That was probably the greatest work experience I had in coaching," he said. "I thoroughly enjoyed the job and I enjoyed Indiana. That's primarily the reason the Indiana High job was so attractive."

Senior **Matt Lucas**, an outfielder on the baseball team, represented IUP at the NCAA Foundation Leadership Conference, held at Disney World in Lake Buena Vista, Fla. The purpose of the annual event is to provide student-athletes with the opportunity to discuss critical issues facing their peers, to enhance leadership skills, and to promote better communication among student-athletes, coaches, administrators, faculty, and communities. Lucas finished second on the team in RBIs (19) and third in batting (.307) last spring.

Sean McCaskill '92, a family therapist in East Liberty who started at cornerback for IUP's national runner-up football squad in 1990, is one of six volunteers being tracked this year in a *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* series. McCaskill and Sean Gibson, the great-grandson of former Homestead Grays and Pittsburgh Crawfords slugger Josh Gibson, formed a youth baseball league modeled after the historic Negro Leagues, right down to the team nicknames. Games are played at the Martin Luther King Jr. field in Pittsburgh's Hill District. A photo of McCaskill demonstrating a proper catcher's stance to two youngsters accompanied one of the stories.

A former teammate of McCaskill's, **Jai Hill '92**, was preparing for the Arena Football League playoffs as *IUP Magazine* went to press. Hill, a wide receiver-linebacker with the Arizona Rattlers, caught five passes for sixty-one yards and two touchdowns during the regular season, made eight tackles on defense, and returned his only interception forty-nine

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By Bob Fulton

yards for a TD. The Rattlers finished 10-4 to win the Western Division title and were poised to face the Nashville Kats in the AFL quarterfinals. This was Hill's fourth year in the indoor league.

Junior lacrosse attacker **Jessica Hopely** finished fourth nationally in assists last spring with an average of 1.83 per game, according to the final Division II statistics. Hopely was a major reason classmate **Alyssa Kusturiss** ranked fourteenth in goals (2.85 per game).

Assistant coach **Mike Taylor '95**, senior forward **Mike Beckles**, and junior guard **Geoff Evans** represented IUP as a team of PSAC all-stars visited Venezuela on a week-long Planet Basketball tour. The conference contingent spent five days in the capital city of Caracas and three on Margarita Island playing Venezuelan professional teams. **Sly McIntosh** and **Terrence Fitzpatrick**, seniors on IUP's 1998-99 squad, headed in a different direction on another Planet Basketball tour during the summer: They played in Sweden and Denmark.

Dan Radakovich '80, a former IUP tight end, has begun his third year as the associate athletic director for business at the University of South Carolina. Radakovich oversees budget matters, home event operations, football travel, and concessions.

Sean Knapp '84 won the

Droppers

100th West Penn Amateur golf tournament at Oakmont Country Club to successfully defend his title and capture his third West Penn championship overall. Knapp figures he could have collected even more trophies were it not for some late collapses. "I've blown more of these than I'd like to admit," he said after winning the centennial event by a three-stroke margin. "There were three or four years I had the lead going into the last round and a couple of times I just threw it away. Sometimes the more you want it the tougher it is to get." Knapp climbed to No. 13 in the *Titleist/Golfweek* amateur national rankings following his victory. 🏌️

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